



**Hispanic Interns in Community Service Program
And Latino Leaders Fellowship Institute
June 08, 2009—August 14, 2009**

2009 Student Application

A 10-week summer program geared toward leadership and professional development, the **Hispanic Interns in Community Service Program and the Latino Leaders Fellowship Institute** have offered quality internship experiences for Hispanic/Latino college students since 1988. Hispanic college students work in a government, corporate or non-profit setting and participate in leadership training conducted by Rutgers University's Center for Strategic Urban Community Leadership.

Interns who successfully participate in a placement site and complete the leadership institute can compete for scholarships awarded by PSE&G and the Foundation for the CHPRD. Scholarships are payable in two installments covering tuition for the fall and spring semesters immediately following the Internship Program, and are contingent upon academic performance. Interns must maintain a 3.0 GPA and demonstrate financial need. Scholarship recipients are selected by a Scholarship Committee consisting of alumni and staff of the CHPRD.

Applicants must be residents of New Jersey, of Hispanic descent and registered at a college or university with grade point averages of 3.0 or higher. Applicants will be selected on the basis of their overall grade point average and class standing. Each qualifying applicant is interviewed by a member of the Review Committee, which consists of alumni and the staff of the CHPRD. International students must have an F-1 visa to participate or be eligible to work.

All applicants are required to submit the following with this application:

- Copy of Official College/University Transcript
- One Letter of Recommendation
- Resume listing employment, community service experience, honors, computer skills, and extracurricular activities.
- For International Students only: You must submit a copy of INS documents verifying eligibility to work.
- Essay, each applicant must respond to one of the following essays. Essay must be typed font 12, one page, double-spaced.
 - **In your opinion, what particular public policy issue has posed a challenge for the Latino/Hispanic community in New Jersey (i.e. immigration, plight of day laborers, economic empowerment)?**
 - **How do you define leadership?**
- Faxed applications are not acceptable.
- It is the applicant's responsibility to notify the CHPRD of any changes in address or phone number during the interview, selection and notification processes.
- **Applicants taking academic courses during the normal business day between June 8, 2009 through August 14, 2009 will not be considered.**
- **Applicants planning vacation or leave time between June 8, 2009 through August 14, 2009 will not be considered.**

Applications must be complete, postmarked by March 27, 2009 and mailed to the following address:

Angie Armand, Director
Center for Hispanic Policy, Research and Development
New Jersey Department of Community Affairs
101 South Broad Street, Post Office Box 800
Trenton, New Jersey 08625-0800
Any questions, please contact the CHPRD at (609) 984-3223

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Student Information:

Name:

Current Address:

City:

State:

Zip:

E-mail Address:

Permanent Mailing:

Address:

City:

State:

Zip:

Work

Home

Cellular

Number:

Number:

Number:

Other Contact Number:

Emergency Contact:

Name and Relationship:

Address:

City:

State:

Zip:

Work

Home

Cellular

Number:

Number:

Number:

Education Information:

College/University: _____

Major/Minor: _____

GPA: _____ Date of Graduation: _____

Please respond to the following questions:

Do you have a car or access to one, if required by the placement site?

- Yes No

How did you learn about the program?

- Community Based Organization Alumni Family/Friend
- College Fair Website College/University
- Other: _____

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In your opinion, what particular public policy issue has posed a challenge for the Latino/Hispanic community in New Jersey (i.e. immigration, plight of day laborers, economic empowerment)?

How do you define leadership?

Please add any additional information which will help the CHPRD in identifying the best employment site where you may best be qualified or interested in.

I have read all of the information pertaining to the intern/fellow program and, if accepted by the CHPRD, I agree to honor my commitment and meet the following criteria:

The 2009 Hispanic Interns in Community Service Program and Latino Leaders Fellowship Institute will begin on June 98, 2009 and end on August 14, 2009.

- **Throughout the ten weeks interns will report to their job placement site Mondays, Tuesday, Thursdays, and Fridays.**
- **On Wednesdays, interns are required to attend the Latino Leaders Fellowship Institute in Trenton. Attendance is mandatory.**
- **A stipend of \$3,000 is provided for the ten-week program.**
- **Students must work 28 hours at their intern placement site and attend weekly training sessions consisting of 7 hours. Vacation time is not allowed during the ten weeks.**
- **All interns selected must complete all institute assignments and projects which include completion of a policy paper.**

The information given above is complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge. I am aware that any misrepresentation will result in the disqualification of my application.

I also agree, if I am selected, that the CHPRD and the NJ Department of Community Affairs can use my statements and likeness in its promotional literature.

Signature

Date