

Summer 2014: Paid Internships in Washington, DC

The [National Academy of Social Insurance](#) (NASI) is a nonprofit, nonpartisan organization made up of the nation's leading experts on social insurance. Its mission is to advance solutions to challenges facing the nation by increasing public understanding of how social insurance contributes to economic security.

Social insurance encompasses broad-based systems for insuring workers and their families against economic insecurity caused by loss of income from work and the cost of health care. NASI's programmatic scope covers U.S. social insurance programs – primarily Social Security, workers' compensation, unemployment insurance, private employee benefits, Medicare, other health coverage programs, long-term services and supports, and related public assistance.

NASI's internship programs --[The Washington Internship on Social Insurance](#), [The Somers Aging and Long-Term Care Internship](#), [The Nathan J. Stark Internship for Non-Profit Development](#), and [The Eileen Sweeney Graduate Internship in Disability Policy](#) – provide talented students with a substantive learning experience by equipping them with the skills necessary to become contributors and future leaders in the field of social insurance.

NASI seeks outstanding graduate and upper division undergraduate students to serve as interns on social insurance policy research and analysis projects in Washington, DC. Students studying economics, law, political science, public policy, health policy, social work, gerontology, communications/journalism, actuarial science, or related subjects are urged to apply.

Each student is matched (based on her/his qualifications and interests) with a placement in the DC metropolitan area. Placements are organizations, firms, or government agencies where NASI members work, and where the member is available to supervise the student on a social insurance or related project. Past placements have included:

- AARP
- AFL-CIO
- Alliance of Community Health Plans
- Alzheimer's Association
- Brookings Institution
- Congressional Budget Office
- Employee Benefit Research Institute
- Government Accountability Office
- Grantmakers in Health
- Ways and Means Committee, U.S. House of Representatives
- Institute for America's Future
- Institute for Health Policy Solutions
- Joint Economic Committee
- National Academy of Social Insurance
- National Governor's Association
- National Research Council
- Social Security Administration
- U.S. Department of Health & Human Services
- U.S. Department of Labor
- U.S. Senate Special Committee on Aging

Interns have the opportunity to:

- Work with leading experts and officials who are recognized authorities on social insurance policy, Social Security, Medicare and other health coverage, financing, unemployment insurance, disability, long-term services and supports, and related public and private programs;
- Gain valuable skills and knowledge, plus work experience with top policy organizations in Washington, DC;
- Make professional contacts and network within their areas of interest;
- Participate in a weekly seminar series led by NASI members; and
- Discuss current policy issues and attend Congressional hearings and relevant DC policy forums.

Internship Details

Time commitment: Full-time for 12 weeks beginning in May/June to Aug/Sept 2014 (Exact start dates are flexible)

Application deadline: March 1, 2014 (All application materials must be received by this date to be considered)

Location: Washington, DC

Honorarium: \$3,500 stipend to offset living expenses (Students can also receive academic credit)

For more information, visit NASI's website, www.nasi.org and our [Student Opportunities](#) page. You can also contact us at internships@nasi.org or at (202) 452-8097.