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The Corn Refiners Association (CRA) is the national trade association representing the corn refining industry of the United States. CRA and its predecessors have served this important segment of American agribusiness since 1913. Corn refiners manufacture sweeteners, ethanol, starch, bioproducts, corn oil and feed products from corn components such as starch, oil, protein and fiber.

### What You Will Learn

CRA values its interns and endeavors to provide a learning experience that advances your career development.

- Interns are treated as entry level professionals and assist with various projects throughout their time at CRA. Successful interns are enthusiastic about working on a wide variety of tasks in a fast-paced, team environment.
- Interns are assigned to work on active issues faced by CRA including, but not limited to:
  - Provide support to the CRA policy staff. It is envisioned that interns will assist in the implementation of CRA's legislative agenda; track key pieces of legislation and regulatory proposals; build relationships with staff for CRA's strategic partners; attend hearings and meetings on behalf of CRA and deliver an analysis of critical issues discussed; and assist the policy staff with various initiatives and special projects.
  - Interface with the CRA Government Relations Committee, which is comprised of DC and home-office based representatives of all CRA member companies.
  - Interns may also be asked to support additional CRA committees including Communications, Environmental Affairs, Health & Wellness, Product Safety & Quality, Sustainability, Trade, and Workplace Safety based on the current needs of the association.

### Qualifications

- The Internship Program at CRA is designed for recent university graduates and graduate students. Rising seniors performing at an exceptional level will also be considered. Qualified candidates should have or be working towards a degree in Political Science, Public Policy, Agribusiness, or related area of study.
- A minimum GPA of 3.0.
- Excellent written and verbal communication skills.
- Organized, with an ability to prioritize multiple time-sensitive assignments.
- Proficiency with Microsoft Office (Word, Excel and PowerPoint).
- A genuine interest in policy development.

### Additional Details

- The Internship Program at CRA pays a stipend to all interns of \$800 per week based on full-time employment. If you would like to receive credit in addition to or in lieu of the stipend, please consult with your department head or academic advisor.
- Internships are available on a year-round basis. For more information, please visit our website

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at [www.corn.org](http://www.corn.org).

- In general, we anticipate that interns will work full-time during their semester of employment at CRA. However, CRA is open to accepting candidates who would work less than full-time so they may take classes at a local university. This flexibility is intended to attract candidates from outside the DC-area who may want to take advantage of the many local learning opportunities available while interning at CRA. This arrangement also offers a flexible internship opportunity for student enrolled fulltime at a DC-based institution.
- No benefits are provided.

## To Apply

- Interested applicants should email their cover letter, resume, cumulative GPA, and contact information for 3 references to [careers@corn.org](mailto:careers@corn.org) using the subject line "RE: Government Relations Intern".
- At least one reference should be a current Professor or Academic Advisor familiar with your academic record. Pre-written letters of recommendation are not accepted. We will contact references directly only for top candidates and only after notifying the intern candidate.
- No phone calls will be accepted.

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