Student/Volunteer/Unpaid Internship  
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency  
Office in the Office of Enforcement and Compliance Assurance  
Federal Facilities Enforcement Office

Position Description

Students will assist environmental lawyers and technical professionals on active cases, policies and other research projects related to federal facility enforcement and compliance, investigations, data analysis, targeting/priorities, enforcement, state/tribal enforcement coordination, and other matters. The ability to use or learn databases and Microsoft Office products, including spreadsheet software for data analysis and presentation, is needed for this position.

Background:

FFEO is an office of lawyers and technical staff responsible for ensuring that federal facilities (e.g., Department of Defense military bases, Department of Energy laboratories, Veterans Administration hospitals) across the United States take all necessary actions to prevent, control, and abate environmental pollution. FFEO works to improve environmental compliance and stewardship at the nation’s federal facilities by applying the full range of EPA legal authorities to promote stewardship and compliance by federal agencies. EPA, when necessary, takes enforcement actions to protect human health and to advance environmental quality nationwide.

FFEO and EPA’s enforcement and compliance program enforces requirements under the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (CERCLA), Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA), the Clean Air Act (CAA), Clean Water Act (CWA), Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act (FIFRA), Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA) and other environmental laws. For more information about OECA’s activities, see www.epa.gov/enforcement and www.epa.gov/compliance. For more information on FFEO, see www.epa.gov/enforcement/enforcement-federal-facilities

How to Apply: To apply please send your resume, cover letter to Catherine Lucas (lucas.catherine@epa.gov) and Chelsea Dixon (dixon.chelsea@epa.gov)

1. Prerequisites. Applicants must be:
   - A U.S. Citizen
   - 18 years of age on or before the first day of the internship, and
   - Enrolled at least half-time (e.g. six credits per semester for undergraduates) in an undergraduate or graduate program at a college, community college, or university

2. Time Commitment: This appointment will be for a minimum of 12 weeks, ~15 hours/week is preferred, but we are flexible as to your school schedule any day/time Monday through Friday between the hours of 9 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

3. Compensation: The internships are unpaid. We will provide you with an office phone and a computer, as well as a transit subsidy.

This participant does not become an EPA employee  
No relocation cost paid  
All FFEO internships are located at EPA headquarters offices in downtown Washington, D.C.