

## The 2021 Carleton Social Justice Internships

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### ***About the Program***

Carleton’s Social Justice Internships were established in 2007 to provide financial support to students pursuing unpaid or low-paying summer internships or training programs in organizations promoting social justice and structural change in the United States. The Social Justice Internships fund approximately 15 students to work with designated Community Partner organizations focusing on public health, law, community organizing and activism, housing, and community development. The Community Partners have been selected because of their proven record of offering meaningful internships, allowing students to gain experience, explore a field as a possible career, live out their personal commitments and values, and meld their academic studies with civic engagement.

Students selected for these internships are eligible to apply for summer internship funds (up to \$4,500) to support transportation, savings goals, food, and housing costs during the internship. Financial need is also taken into consideration. Students from all class years are eligible to apply for the Community Partner internships, including graduating seniors. Establishing learning goals, participating in a summer reflection blog, and a short reflection essay after the internship are required, and for those on campus in the fall, there is a “bring back” poster session. The program is administered by the Chaplain’s Office in conjunction with the Career Center.

### ***How to Apply***

A list of Community Partner opportunities is posted in [Handshake](#) and on the [Chapel’s Social Justice Internship page](#).

**Community Partner Applications are due by 11:59:00pm CST on February 28, 2021. All class years should apply through Handshake.** Accepted students will then apply for funding by 11:59:00pm CST on April 5, 2021.

### ***Evaluation Criteria***

In evaluating proposals, the Community Partners and Social Justice Internship selection committee ask the following questions:

1. How does the work of the organization and/or the work of the internship fit with the student’s academic pursuits and/or vocation and career goals for the future?
2. Has the student made the case for his or her genuine interest in the sector of the internship?
3. What are the student’s desired outcomes for learning, skill building, and personal growth and do they appear to be a good match for the internship position?

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