

# APALA

Asian Pacific American Labor Alliance, AFL-CIO



*Organizing*  
*Civil Rights*  
*Economic Justice*

## APALA Internship Program

### Organizational Description

Founded in 1992, the Asian Pacific American Labor Alliance (APALA), AFL-CIO is the first and only national organization for Asian Pacific American (APA) union members. APALA has a rich history of recruiting and training APA union members and activists to become leaders in the labor movement, mobilizing voters to increase APA participation in the political process and engaging local communities to increase their awareness of the labor movement and issues that affect workers. Furthermore, APALA is committed to forging ties with our international brothers and sisters to continue the fight for worker justice.

Over 600,000 Asian Pacific American workers have joined unions and are seeking better pay, improved benefits, dignity on the job, and a voice in the workplace. Backed with the strong support of the AFL-CIO, APALA has 11 chapters and pre-chapters and a national office in Washington D.C.

### Internship Description

APALA is seeking interns with a strong commitment to social justice and worker rights for our national office, located in Washington D.C. Internships are available year-round and APALA is flexible on start and end dates. Interns must commit to participate for a minimum of two months. The preference is for full-time interns; however there may be part-time opportunities, based on individual circumstances.

Depending on individual interests, APALA interns will have the opportunity to work on a host of projects, including, but not limited to the following:

- *Communications:* Draft press releases, monitor coverage of APA worker issues, and update website;
- *Research:* Conduct research on APA worker history;
- *Political:* Conduct research on APA voter behavior and develop election materials; and
- *Legislative:* Assist in producing legislative materials summarizing the impact on APA workers.

### Requirements:

Eligible candidates must have completed at least two years of college. College graduates and graduate-level students are also encouraged to apply. Candidates with less formal education, but with relevant experience, will also be considered.

Preferred qualifications include: leadership, student or community organizing, detail oriented, excellent interpersonal skills and strong writing abilities.

### Compensation

A financial stipend is provided to full-time interns.

## APALA Internship Application

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Expected Date of Graduation: \_\_\_\_\_

**Please answer the following questions** (you may use additional paper if necessary):

1. Why you are interested in interning for APALA?

2. What is your most significant contribution to social and economic justice and how does APALA fit into your long-term goals?

3. Please list three references, including their relationship to you, their title, phone number and email address.

**Application Requirements. Please be sure to enclose:**

- Completed application form
- Resume including relevant education, work experience, and activist or volunteer experience
- Writing sample that is no longer than 1,000 words

**Please send applications by email to:** [apala@apalanet.org](mailto:apala@apalanet.org) with the subject heading "APALA Intern Application", or Mail them to: APALA, 815-16<sup>th</sup> St. NW, Washington, DC 20006