

February 27, 2018

Dear Political Science Advisors:

Each year, I offer internship opportunities to smart, hardworking college students who want to gain valuable work experience and see our government first-hand. I welcome students from all backgrounds, academic disciplines, and political affiliations. The program is rigorous, but fun, and includes regular discussions and daily reading and writing assignments. I am proud to have one of the largest and most active internship programs in the U.S. House of Representatives.

In February 2018, I expanded my internship program to include a limited number of need-based, paid summer fellowships in my Nashville and Washington, DC, offices. Applicants who would not otherwise be able to take advantage of an unpaid internship opportunity due to financial need – and who can demonstrate that need in a two-page essay – are eligible to be awarded fellowships of \$1,500 for a six-week period during the summer. A group of community leaders will read all submitted essays and recommend students for the fellowships.

Internships are available throughout the year, but we are currently accepting applications for internships and paid fellowships for the 2018 summer session. Interested students should submit a completed application and two letters of recommendation, including fellowship essays, before March 16, 2018.

Will you please help spread the word about our program and the new paid fellowships? My goal is to develop good citizens and engaged leaders who care about Tennessee and our country. I hope you will help.

Please contact Kathy Buggs in my Nashville office at 615-736-5295 or Ella Mathews in my Washington office at 202-225-4311 if you have any questions.

Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,

Jim Cooper
Member of Congress