



Thank you for expressing interest in PALCUS Internship Program, which was established in 1994 to provide Portuguese-American students with work experience in their field of interest. Since its inception, over 130, internship opportunities have been provided to college students. Past and present internships have been in Portugal; Washington, D.C; and throughout the United States. Internships for 2010 will be offered at embassies, consulate offices, U.S. Senate and Congressional offices, the PALCUS headquarters, large private companies, and other government agencies.

This innovation program provides Portuguese-American college sophomores, juniors, seniors, and graduate students with the opportunity to obtain invaluable work and career experience in government, business, and international organizations throughout the United States and Portugal. Interns receive a stipend to help cover their living expenses. Some of the internships also include travel and housing expenses.

The internship program is a primary initiative of PALCUS (Portuguese-American Leadership Council of the United States), a 501(c)3 non-partisan, non-profit organization headquartered in Washington, D.C. with a mission of addressing domestic and international concerns of the Portuguese-American community.

ELIGIBILITY

To be eligible for an internship, students must meet all of the following criteria:

- are a college sophomore, junior, senior, or graduate student
- have a minimum GPA of 3.0
- are a member of PALCUS

REQUIREMENTS

Applications for 2010 internships are due by **April 17, 2010**. Along with their completed application (attached), students are required to submit:

- current resume
- three letters of recommendation
- college transcript
- written essay (any topic of importance to applicant) (no more than 500 words).

Students should mail their application and the other required documents listed above to:

PALCUS Internship Program
Attention: Internship Coordinator
9255 Center St., Suite 404
Manassas, VA 20110

PALCUS contact information: Phone 202-466-4664; Fax 202-466-4661; Email palcus@palcus.org

PALCUS INTERNSHIP PROGRAM APPLICATION

Instructions: Submit your completed application along with your resume, college transcript, three letters of recommendation, and a written essay on understanding your heritage.

*Applications must be submitted by **April 17, 2010***

Name (first name, middle initial, last name)

Permanent Address and Contact Information

Street: _____ Apt. Number: _____

City, State, Zip Code: _____

Phone: _____ Email address: _____

Temporary Address and Contact Information (if different from above)

Street: _____ Apt. Number: _____

City, State, Zip Code: _____

Phone: _____ Email address: _____

School Information

School Name, City, and State:

Year (circle one): Sophomore Junior Senior Graduate Student GPA: _____

Major: _____ Expected Year of Graduation: _____

Your Portuguese Heritage

Written Essay

Write an essay (maximum of 500 words) on the importance of understanding your heritage.

Select Desired Internship Positions (check at least three)

Consulate Office – Desired location

Political Office (Washington, DC)

PALCUS office (Manassas, VA)

Luso-American Development Foundation (Lisbon, Portugal)

Other (state area of interest):

Financial Assistance (check if applicable)

I am seeking financial assistance for: Transportation Housing

How did you learn about the PALCUS Internship Program?
