

# Panthers on Capitol Hill

## INTERNSHIP PROGRAM

*Creating “uncommon opportunity”  
for PVAMU students “committed to the path they have chosen.”*



“The basis of a democratic state is liberty. ... Liberty and equality will be best attained in a democracy when **all persons** share in the government to the utmost.”

– Aristotle



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## INTERNSHIP



### Objectives:

The Capitol Hill Internship Program is designed to provide access to:

- Understand the policy-making process and how policy affects society.
- Develop skills and competencies in political professions, plus an opportunity to explore career interests and form networks.
- Apply academic coursework knowledge and examine firsthand how theories learned in the classroom impact society and the world.

Interns will also provide valuable assistance to their hosting Congressional Office.

### Academics:

Stay on track for graduation:

- Interns are required to enroll in POSC 4153\* – Internship in Political Science
- Students may also enroll in POSC 4993 or 4143 – Legislative Process Independent Study or select from eight core, support area, or major requirements courses offered online. Enrollment in more than six (6) cumulative hours requires Faculty Advisor approval

*\*Enrollment in POSC 4153 will classify the student as full-time with the Registrar's office.*

*Note that the criteria for a full-time classification for Financial Aid is a separate determination.*

### Benefits:

Experience Washington D.C., one of the most vibrant and historical cities in the world.

The Program offers:

- Summer, Fall and Spring term internships
- Stipends to help defray travel and living expenses
- Housing provided at no cost to the intern



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### Who May Apply:

- U.S. Citizens and at least 18 years of age
- Full-time degree-seeking students at PVAMU
- Students who will have completed a minimum of 60 semester hours coursework at PVAMU and have a 3.0 or higher GPA (3.3 or higher in major)
- Students with a declared Political Science major or minor desired; other majors may also qualify

### How to Apply:

Complete and submit the Panthers on Capitol Hill Internship application at <http://www.pvamu.edu/swbps/>

- A resume must also be submitted
- Applicants will be interviewed by Faculty/Staff and/or the Hosting Congressional Office

### How to Give:

#### *To give online via [pvamf.org](http://pvamf.org)*

1. Go to PVAMF.org
2. Click on the **"PANTHERS ON CAPITOL HILL"** link (lower left of the homepage)
3. Click on the **"Give to the Panthers on Capitol Hill"** link
4. Fill out the form as directed and click **Submit**

Donors will receive their Personal account ID and their account, when established, will allow 24 hour access and show the status of all gifts they have given to PVAMF.

#### *To give by US Mail*

- 1) Make your check **payable to PVAMF**
- 2) On the check memo line write **"Panthers on Capitol Hill"**
- 3) Mail your check to:

#### **PVAMF**

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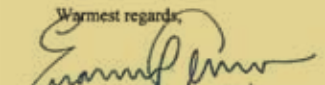
*PVAMU formally recognizes US Congressman Cleaver and the Washington DC Alumni Chapter (Program Sponsor) for its financial partnership with the National Alumni Association and PVAM Foundation to deliver this internship as an integral University program benefitting our students.*

“At the 2017 PVAMF Gala Dr. Ruth Simmons (PVAMU President) said, “students are hungry to learn, anxious to excel, and increasingly committed to the path they have chosen.” We wholeheartedly agree! It is an especially important time in US history to ensure our students are afforded an “uncommon opportunity” as US Congressional interns – to promote preparedness to take their rightful place as our future leaders in public service at the national level.”

*Pamela Hodge, President,  
Washington DC Chapter  
PVAMU NAA*



“We strongly believe that students from ‘The Hill’ should have the uncommon opportunity to receive this experience ...”

Warmest regards,  
  
Emanuel Cleaver, II  
Member of Congress  
Missouri's Fifth District

### **PVAMU**

#### **Brailsford College of Arts & Sciences**

*Division of Social Work, Behavioral & Political Sciences*

#### **Program of Study**

The Political Science Program is committed to providing students with the knowledge and skills necessary to understand political systems so that they may succeed in their careers and become better citizens of the nation and the world