



Political & Government Internship/Job Sites

Search for possible internship sites/jobs in federal, state, & local governments, political organizations & campaigns, labor unions & labor relations in business & industry, law, and media outlets.

American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU) of Oregon - <http://www.aclu-or.org/> - Nonprofit, nonpartisan organization working through litigation, lobbying, and community empowerment with a mission “to defend and preserve individual rights and liberties ...”

Basic Rights of Oregon - <https://www.basicrights.org/> - Progressive, statewide nonprofit organization with three primary program areas: racial justice, transgender justice and marriage equality.

Bus Project - <https://www.handsonportland.org/about-membership> - Volunteer-driven, non-profit organization that engages young people in progressive politics and catalyzes action around progressive issues.

Cascade Policy Institute - <http://www.cascadepolicy.org> - <https://cascadepolicy.org/internship/> Nonprofit, nonpartisan libertarian public policy research organization that focuses on state & local issues. Publishes policy studies, quarterly newsletters, and commentaries on topics such as education, the environment, growth management, transportation, fiscal policy, health care, social services, etc.

City Club of Portland - <https://www.pdxcityclub.org/> - Members & local leaders from education, business, and law involved in non-partisan research and advocacy projects, issue forums, civic workshops, etc.

City Repair Project - <https://cityrepair.org/volunteer> - Grassroots, primarily volunteer-run organization that facilitates artistic and ecologically-oriented placemaking through projects involving sustainability, community health, social activism & organizing, community based art & architecture, etc. Hosts two events annually, Portland's Earth Day celebration and the Village Building Convergence.

Community Energy Project - <https://www.communityenergyproject.org/> - Nonprofit organization that promotes affordable housing in Portland through free conservation and safety workshops and direct services.

Citizens' Utility Board of Oregon (CUB) - <http://oregoncub.org/> - Consumer advocacy organization that represents interests of residential utility customers before administrative, judicial and legislative bodies on a broad range of energy issues, including advocating for fair, affordable utility rates.

Environmental Groups List - Portland area - <https://www.environmentalgroups.us/oregon/> - links to groups' websites

Habitat for Humanity - <http://habitatoregon.org/> - Organization providing fundraising, training and technical assistance, advocacy and disaster preparedness to all 30 Habitat for Humanity affiliates building and repairing homes across Oregon.

IRCO - <http://www.irco.org/> - Immigrant and Refugee Community Organization, assists refugees, immigrants, and multi-ethnic communities.

Jobs With Justice - <http://www.jwj.org/about-us/job-openings> - Union rights organization

League of Conservation Voters - <https://www.lcv.org/jobs/> - Political advocacy organization that assists political candidates supporting a pro-environment agenda.

League of Women Voters of Portland - <http://www.lwvpdx.org/> - Nonpartisan, nonprofit organization that works to influence public policy through education and advocacy. Publishes voter guides, etc.

Libertarian Party - <https://www.lp.org/> (National) - <http://lporegon.org/> (Oregon)

Oregon Student Association - <http://www.orstudents.org/jobs/> - Coalition of student governments representing the interests of students in post-secondary education in Oregon. Focuses on issues such as tuition, financial aid, & student rights.

Oregon Student Public Interest Research Group (OSPIRG) - <https://ospirgstudents.org/volunteer/> - Independent statewide student organization that works on issues like environmental protection, consumer protection, and hunger and homelessness.

Public Interest Network - <https://publicinterestnetwork.org/internships.html> - Network of 15 non-profit organizations working to preserve the environment, protect public health, and promote active civic engagement by using strategies for change, including organizing, advocacy, research and policy analysis, litigation and socially responsible investing.

Sierra Club - <https://www.sierraclub.org/> - Nonprofit member-supported, public interest organization that promotes conservation by influencing public policy decisions—legislative, administrative, legal, and electoral.

Unite Oregon - <http://www.uniteoregon.org/> - People of color, immigrants and refugees, rural communities, and people experiencing poverty work across Oregon to build a unified intercultural movement for justice.

World Affairs Council of Oregon - <https://www.worldoregon.org/> - Nonprofit nonpartisan organization that sponsors international exchanges, school programs, teachers workshops, foreign policy discussions, national opinion polls, travel programs, young professionals' programs, conferences, and corporate programs.

Government Sites

Federal Government - <https://www.usajobs.gov/>

Oregon Blue Book - <http://bluebook.state.or.us/state/executive/executive3.htm> - State agencies, boards, & commissions, also links for legislative and judicial branches of state government.

Regional Government Job Listings - <https://www.govtjobs.com/states/oregon-government-jobs/>
- City, county, & regional agencies, Look under employments, jobs, careers, HR, etc.

State of Oregon - <http://www.oregon.gov/DAS/HR/pages/index.aspx> - Filter job openings by department, job category, location, etc.

Volunteer.gov - <https://www.volunteer.gov/s/> - Search for public sector volunteer opportunities by keyword, state, activity, partner, and/or date range

White House Internship Program - <https://www.whitehouse.gov/get-involved/> - Interns participate in service projects at schools and non-profit organizations in Washington, D.C. They become a part of the White House team & assignments could include conducting research, managing incoming inquiries, attending meetings, writing memos, and staffing events.

Associations & Directories

Professional Associations

Associations are a good source for membership directories, industry standards & trends, professional development (journals, conferences, meetings, grants, etc.) & targeted job postings. You can also get involved in lobbying and other political activity that associations engage in to protect and promote the interests of their industry and field.

American Association for Public Administration (ASPA) - <http://www.aspanet.org/>

American Political Science Association (APSA) - <http://www.apsanet.org/>

Nonprofit Association of Oregon - <http://nonprofitoregon.org/> - Statewide membership organization providing nonprofit sector support.

Directories/Lists

National Council of Women's Organizations - <https://web.archive.org/web/20060110151100/http://www.womensorganizations.org/>
- Nonprofit umbrella organization of more than 100 women's organizations.

National Political Index of Activist Groups - <http://www.politicalindex.com/sect10.htm> - organized under 21 different subject areas/issues

Political Parties in Oregon - <http://bluebook.state.or.us/national/political/political.htm> - Major parties only: Democratic, Independent, & Republican

Political Resources Online – <http://www.politicalresources.com/> - tools for candidate, issue, & corporate campaigns

Oregon Chambers of Commerce - <http://business.oregonchamber.org/list/category/chamberofcommerce-95> - List of Chambers of Commerce for cities throughout Oregon