

# Ohio Psychological Association Public Policy Internship

**Ten hours per week-one Quarter Minimum** (Renewable for additional quarters)

**Location:** 395 E. Broad St., Suite 310; Columbus, Ohio 43215

**Schedule:** Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, hours negotiable between 10 a.m.-5 p.m.

**Supervision:** Provided by licensed psychologist, Director of Professional Affairs

## Benefits:

- Learn about Association work on behalf of psychology.
- Gain knowledge about how insurance companies, businesses and government affect the delivery of psychological services.
- Meet psychology practice leaders from Ohio and APA.
- Learn about how public policy regarding mental health issues can be changed.
- Attend legislative hearings and meet Ohio elected & government officials.

## Possible assignments:

1. Assist the Director of Professional Affairs with political advocacy duties, including contacting members about lobbying efforts; contacting legislators' offices to arrange appointments; attending legislative hearings; and, participating in healthcare coalition meetings and strategy sessions.
2. Learn how to handle incoming calls from mental health consumers to the statewide OPA Psychologist Referral Network.
3. Assist with OPA member interest surveys: analyze and write- up results.
4. Work on reports for OPA about the status of mental health services in Ohio.
5. Assist OPA staff with office work such as answering phones, preparing mailings and filing.
6. Write articles for the OPA newsletters.

## Requirements:

- Student currently enrolled in a graduate psychology program.
- Current member of the Ohio Psychological Association of Graduate Students

## How to apply:

- [Email your resume to OPA](#) using the subject line, "Public Policy Internship Application."
- Application dates: Four weeks before the beginning of the quarter for which you want to apply contact OPA at 614.224.0034 with any questions.