

## **NEBRASKA GOVERNANCE AND TECHNOLOGY CENTER EXTERN FELLOWSHIP APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS & INFORMATION FORM**

The Nebraska Governance and Technology Center is pleased to facilitate an Extern Fellowship Program. The purpose of this program is to help University of Nebraska students take externships in industry or government that will improve their understanding of challenging technology governance issues. In particular, this program is intended to help defray the cost of spending one academic semester (including summers) in an unpaid industry or government externship more than 100 miles from Lincoln, Nebraska. Please refer to the fellowship's program charter for additional administrative details.

We estimate awarding two to four Extern Fellowships each academic year. The typical award will be \$3,500.

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### **APPLICATION DEADLINES**

Applications will be accepted at all times and decided on a rolling basis, however, a priority deadline for applications will be set in October for spring externs, March for summer externs, and June for fall externs of each funding year. The Committee will meet as a whole at least once before deciding to award a Grant to anyone who applies by the priority deadlines. The Committee meeting will occur on any date before October/March/June 30<sup>th</sup> of the current funding year.

### **ELIGIBILITY**

A person is eligible for an Governance and Technology Center Extern Fellowship grant if the person

1. Is an enrolled student at the University of Nebraska
2. Submits an application to Governance and Technology Center and
3. Provides supporting information to Governance and Technology Center as required and
4. is spending one academic semester (including summers) in an unpaid industry or government externship more than 100 miles from Lincoln, Nebraska.

### **APPLICATION PROCESS**

Applicants should send a one page letter (described below) and a Resume/CV to Gus Hurwitz ([ghurwitz@unl.edu](mailto:ghurwitz@unl.edu)) and Elsbeth Magilton ([elsbeth@unl.edu](mailto:elsbeth@unl.edu)). The awards committee includes the Center's Director, Executive Director, and an administrative representative (Dean or Director) from the Career Development Office.

### **ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS**

Nebraska Governance and Technology Center Extern Fellows will be expected to write a one to two page essay at the end of their externship discussing how the externship affected their understanding of technology governance issues.

### **SELECTION CRITERIA**

Your one page letter should explain:

- a) your interest in the challenges of technology governance,
- b) how this externship relates back to your interests and the work you expect to be doing,
- c) any classes that you have taken relevant to the technology governance and the externship

An additional document should outline:

- a) basic information about the externship, including:
  - a. who it is with
  - b. the location of the office you'll be working in (must be at least 100 mi from Lincoln, NE)
  - c. the name of on-site supervisor

- d. dates/semester attending
  - e. whether you'll be taking any other courses during the externship
  - f. an estimated budget/cost breakdown for travel and housing, and
  - g. if you receive federal student loans (no need to provide specific numbers, just generally, as grant funding creates special considerations students will need to be aware of when accepting)
- b) provide the name of one faculty member who can speak to your interests and (this may be the externship's faculty supervisor).

Please see Elsbeth Magilton, [elsbeth@unl.edu](mailto:elsbeth@unl.edu), with questions.