

Nebraska Corn Board and U.S. Grains Council Internship Washington, D.C. (Summer 2025)

Position Summary

Event Management Internship on the Industry Relations Team in Washington, D.C.
Sponsored by the Nebraska Corn Board (NCB) and the U.S. Grains Council (USGC)

About

The Nebraska Corn Board manages the corn checkoff investment working to increase the value and sustainability of Nebraska corn through promotion, market development and research.

The U.S. Grains Council is a private, non-profit organization that develops export markets for U.S. barley, corn, grain sorghum and related products. The Council believes exports are vital to global economic development and to U.S. agriculture's profitability. The main office is located in Washington, D.C. with overseas offices located: China, India, Japan, Malaysia, Mexico, Panama, South Korea, Taiwan, Tanzania and Tunisia.

Timeframe

Mid-May through Mid-August 2025, for at least 10 consecutive weeks on location

Duties & Responsibilities

This internship will focus on the planning and coordination of the Global Ethanol Summit and Annual Board of Delegates Meeting. Intern will be mentored and assigned responsibilities on a day-to-day basis by the USGC staff under the USGC Industry Relations Department. Student will obtain a working knowledge of the following:

- Office operations of the USGC
- Support the efforts of USGC staff and leadership
- Inter-relationships of other ag industry groups in D.C.
- Hands-on work with the Council's members such as the state and national corn, sorghum and barley organizations and U.S. agribusinesses
- The importance of working for a membership-based organization
- Opportunities to represent USGC as assigned in meetings and reporting back to staff
- Assisting with coordinating member opportunities with international attendees coming to Export Exchange
- Knowledge gained on Ethanol (domestically and internationally), Market Development, Value of International Trade, Grain Supply, Biotechnology and much more

Qualifications

Any student enrolled in a four-year university with the following qualifications:

- Preference will be given to students who are junior standing or above
- Agricultural background beneficial but not required
- Interest in international markets, trade and agricultural economics
- Proven communication skills in written and verbal forms of communications
- Excellent computer skills
- Preference will be given to students attending a college or university in Nebraska



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Recommended Coursework

Agricultural Policy, Agricultural Economics, Trade, Political Science, Event Management and Communications

Stipend

The Nebraska Corn Board will provide a stipend which will be distributed by the USGC, as well as one flight to and from Washington D.C., or mileage reimbursement for one trip to and from Washington D.C. for moving. Housing suggestions will be provided.

Opportunity for Independent Study

Will work with the University to receive credit hours.

Application Process

Resume, three references and cover letter will be accepted by e-mail, sent to jill.bookhout@nebraska.gov.

Applications is due in the Nebraska Corn Board office by 5:00 p.m. on April 4, 2025.