# NORTHEAST GEORGAPHIC INFORMATION SOCIETY (NEGIS) INTERNSHIP PROGRAM

For College Juniors, Seniors and Graduate Students

Return completed application to:

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APPLICATION DEADLINE:

January 9, 2017

## **Objective**

The Northeast Geographic Information Society (NEGIS) Internship Program was initiated to create opportunities for students who have made a commitment to study disciplines related to GIS to obtain practical experience in this field.

### **Program Description**

The Internship Program consists of two parts: 1) a competitive stipend program, and 2) an internship clearinghouse. This program is open to all students who are juniors or above and are currently enrolled in accredited colleges or universities. Participating NEGIS corporate sponsors, contributors, small business affiliates, user affiliates and other qualified GIS companies will place interns through the program. The program is designed for summer internships.

NEGIS will offer at least one \$1,500 stipend to a selected student to offset travel and living expenses incurred as a result of obtaining an internship (10-12 weeks) with one of the association's corporate members or other approved companies. The stipends are awarded on a competitive basis, selected from completed applications. Resumes of all students who complete the internship application will be included in the association's internship clearinghouse. Resumes will be circulated to NEGIS corporate member companies and other approved organizations, with individuals who are eligible for the stipend identified.

*Important:* Internships are an arrangement between individual students and participating corporate members and approved organizations. NEGIS will make the required information available to all parties, but it is the individual student's responsibility to contact participating organizations concerning employment possibilities.

#### **Stipend Distribution**

In order to receive the first stipend payment, the company providing the internship must provide documentation of the intern's responsibilities before the internship begins. The second stipend payment will be made after NEGIS has received notification from the company providing the internship that confirms the internship was completed successfully and a summary of the internship provided by the intern.

#### Chronology

Interested students should complete and return the attached internship application by **January 31**, **2017** to NEGIS. All student applications are sent to the organizations, with stipend recipients identified. A list of participating companies is sent to all participating students, including those who were not selected to receive a stipend. Students who do not receive a stipend but still complete an internship are asked to submit a brief report following completion of the internship. The report should contain an assessment of the value of the internship in regards to their future career.

### Requirements

- Be a currently matriculating student pursuing a degree in a discipline that uses GIS.
- Complete the entire application. Incomplete applications will not be considered.
- If a stipend winner would like to intern at a company other than a corporate member of NEGIS, the intern must submit the company name, contact, address, phone and fax. Also included, for approval by NEGIS, is a description of what type of GIS work the organization performs.
- The internship stipend winner is required to notify NEGIS of the internship by June 30, 2017.
- The internship **must be completed by December 31, 2017**. Following completion of the internship, the winner must also provide NEGIS with a brief report that contains an assessment of value of the internship award to the student in regards to their future career.

#### **Evaluation of Applications**

Applications will be evaluated using the following criteria:

- 1. Scope and Content
- 2. Recommendations
- 3. Academic Record
- 4. Studies Toward GIS
- 5. Extracurricular Activities