

Center on Policing at Rutgers University
Communications Internship for Credit

COP Overview

The Center on Policing (COP), formerly known as the Rutgers Police Institute, was founded by Dr. George Kelling in 2001. In 2018, our Center joined the Miller Center for Community Protection and Resilience (CPR) and the Center for Intelligence Studies under the Rutgers Institute for Secure Communities (RISC). Our Center is composed of individuals with a broad range of experience in the public safety arena. Our mission is to integrate research and evidence-based best-practices into police operations, violence reduction, problem-solving, community policing, education, training, and the development of criminal justice policy and practice. The COP achieves its goals by focusing on three areas: Research, Technology, and Education & Technical Assistance. Please visit our website to learn more about past and current projects at www.centeronpolicing.org.

Internship Position Description

The COP is looking for an intern to support communications and content writing for their website as well as their social media pages on Twitter and Facebook. Since becoming the COP last year, we are looking to expand our web presence and overall community outreach. We will be hosting a Federal Law Enforcement Career Panel in the spring that we will need help planning and promoting to students. The intern will be expected to be comfortable communicating with students, professors, law enforcement professionals, and technology professionals.

Required Skills

- Expertise or an interest in criminal justice, technology, research, and the eagerness to learn about these fields is required
- Experience with WordPress, Facebook, and Twitter, and other social media accounts
- Knowledge of search engine optimization and analytics tools on websites and social media
- Ability to summarize notes from conferences, webinars, and meetings and work them into articles to be put on our website and shared on our social media pages
- Experience writing content for websites and social media
- Experience with event planning and/or promoting events such as creating flyers, sending out email blasts
- Professional and articulate communications skills

Required Qualifications

- GPA of 3.0 or higher
- Current Rutgers undergraduate or graduate student studying Communications, Journalism, English, Public Relations, or a related field with a strong background in writing
- Able to get credit through internship program with your academic school/department

Application Requirements

Applications will be accepted on a rolling basis. Please send the following to ccipriano@cop.rutgers.edu and rosalyn.bocker@cop.rutgers.edu using the subject line “COP Communications Internship”:

- A cover letter describing your interest in and qualifications for the position
- Resume

- Unofficial Transcript