

WGS Internship Possibilities

THE DEADLINE FOR SUBMITTING ALL INTERNSHIP FORMS is End of Week 2 classes

Below are just a few of the opportunities available to WGS students (and others interested in obtaining credit through WGS). Note that all WGS majors are required to complete 4 units of Internship. See WGS 499/395 Syllabus for details and requirements.

If you would like to speak to current WGS students who have interned at these locations, ask the WGS faculty. Speaking to current WGS students can also provide other referrals to various agencies. You are also welcome to look online at <http://www.sonoma.edu/womenstudies> to see past WGS Newsletters – all list past internships and community involvement projects.

OFF-CAMPUS

Circle of Sisters is an after school program for girls in Sonoma County Schools (e.g. Guerneville, Rohnert Park). Circle of Sisters serves girls ages 10-14. They strive to help girls sustain wholeness in body, mind and spirit throughout their lives. Service opportunities include assisting facilitators in planning and conducting workshops and/or developing curricular and promotional materials for the program.

Contact Amy Chevrolet, 525-5311. achevro@stjoe.org

Community Action Partnerhips of Sonoma County

This is a network of organizations who partner with low income families and individuals to help them achieve economic and social stability, to build community, and to advocate for social and economic justice. Their programs and services include: Head Start & Early Head Start; Housing; Health; Youth, Family & Neighborhoods; Centro Laboral de Graton; Family Resource Center; and Fair Housing of Sonoma County.

<http://www.capsonoma.edu>. Contact: nhon@capsonoma.org

The Family Connection is an award winning nonprofit program that uses volunteers to help families transition out of homelessness (www.thefamilyconnection.org). They create teams of volunteers who, under the supervision of a professional Family Support Coordinator, form support systems for families who have been homeless. Each team is matched for up for one year with one family. Interns become team members and also participate in a weekly intern seminar. Contact Sara Jones, 579-3630.

Sara.thefamilyconnection@cots-homeless.org

The Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual and Transgender Historical Society (GLBTHS) in San

Francisco is a community-based archives and museum dedicated to preserving the histories of GLBT communities in Northern California. This internship program provides students with the opportunity to gain valuable hands-on experience working with a community based non-profit historical organization. **Contact: Karen Bullock-Jordan, 415.777.5455, ext. 5#, email: karen@glbthistory.org.**

The Living Room The Living Room, a drop-in center for homeless/at-risk women and children only, provides breakfast, lunch, toiletries, diapers, writing supplies, stamps, bus tickets, telephone, message service, post office box, peer support, and referrals for housing, jobs and social services. Interns are needed to work at the front desk and help coordinate other activities. **Contact: Tanya Wulff, Living Room Volunteer Coordinator at 579-0142.**

Petaluma City Schools offer many service opportunities including an after-school enrichment program at the junior high school and multi-cultural projects as well as advising senior projects at a high school. Most of these projects involve one-on-one work with students and mentoring opportunities. **Contact: afterschoolprogram@hotmail.com**

Sonoma County Women's Voices is looking for interns to contact and coordinate young women writers of articles, fiction, creative non-fiction, and poetry for publication in Women's Voices; write for the newspaper, including coverage of SSU events of interest to other women; or their duties as well. **Contact: Jane Boyle, 792-1819 or e-mail wv@sonic.net..**

United Against Sexual Assault of Sonoma County. Various internships available through Prevention Department including: Presenter for the Child Abuse or Teen Assault Prevention Projects (CAPP/TAPP); Present Self Defense workshops to female teens; Present same-sex sexual assault workshops to LGBT youth. You will receive 10-20 hours of training on presenting prevention of sexual assault or self-defense or same-sex sexual assault. **Contact: Rebecca Plachte-Zuieback, 545-7270, ext. 12, becky.plachte-zuieback@uasasonoma.org. For training/working the 24-hour crisis line, contact: Karel Oswald@uasasonoma.org, 545-7270 ext. 11**

YWCA. Focus of agency is on domestic violence. Operates only Safe House in Sonoma County, as well as a therapeutic preschool serving children who have witnessed violence. Various internship opportunities including gaining experience in case management, staffing 24-hour hotline (40-hour training required – applicable to internship hours), assisting with support groups, and collecting/analyzing data for the YWCA. **Contact: Jennifer Lake, Director of Domestic Violence Services. 546-7115 ext. 1. ywcasafe@sonic.net.**

ON-CAMPUS

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Women's and Gender Studies Newsletter Intern. Newsletter comes out 1x/semester. As an Editorial Assistant, valuable experience to be gained in desktop publishing, editing, writing, and layout design. **Contact: Prof. Charlene Tung, tung@sonoma.edu**

Women's and Gender Studies Development Intern. Gain experience in basics of fundraising and alumni relations development. Valuable for those considering a career in the non-profit sector (or maybe even starting your own organization!). **Contact: Prof. Charlene Tung, tung@sonoma.edu**

Center for Cultures, Genders and Sexualities. Newly formed center on-campus (formerly Women's Resource Center and Intercultural Center). Gain experience in program development, event planning, and student services. **Contact: Bonnie Sugiyama, bsugiyama@sonoma.edu**

Women's Oral History Project. On-going project interviewing women from Sonoma County. Gain experience in interviewing and transcribing interviews, archival research and curating exhibits. **Contact: Professor Michelle Jolly. jolly@sonoma.edu**



ON-LINE RESOURCES TO ASSIST IN FINDING A SITE

Sonoma County Volunteer Program. There are a few paid internship positions with the County of Sonoma and many or more unpaid volunteer opportunities working in County agencies. Recent volunteer opps include working in a youth nutrition program and with pregnant teens (esp. appropriate for Women's Health internships). For more information, see: <http://www.sonoma-county.org/hr/volunteer/index.html>

Volunteer Center of Sonoma County. This organization coordinates up to date information about internships for various orgs throughout Sonoma County. For example, Girl Scouts, Hospice of Petaluma, Council on Aging, and Sonoma County Legal Aid. <http://www.volunteernow.org>.



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