



# KALMANOVITZ INITIATIVE

*for Labor and the Working Poor*

GEORGETOWN UNIVERSITY

## Summer 2020 KI Internship Information Sheet

### Internship Description

Each summer, KI recruits Georgetown students who are dedicated to social justice to work with local community groups in D.C. advocating for working people through its [Organizing Internship](#) and [Research in Action Internship](#). Students will participate in an initial training the first week. Students will also be expected to partake in lunches with organizers and researchers working in social justice issues throughout their internship. Students receive on campus housing and a stipend for food, travel, and other needs during the summer.

The [Organizing Internship](#) provides an opportunity for students to observe the impact of community and labor organizing, support and contribute to ongoing campaigns and projects, and develop their own organizing skills. Meanwhile, the [Research in Action Internship](#) provides students the opportunity to learn from leaders in the world of workers' rights, support and contribute to ongoing campaigns and research projects, and develop their own research skills.

The KI Summer Internship will:

- Introduce students to key issues affecting workers and the labor movement;
- Provide an experiential learning opportunity through the internship;
- Develop students' organizing skills through on the ground work with dynamic campaigns
- Support local community groups working towards worker justice;
- And maintain a strong connection between Georgetown and local communities.

Through first-hand involvement in local campaigns, students will develop their own view of the challenges facing workers in the modern economy and the role of worker justice. From these experiences, students contribute to the next generation of the worker justice movement.

## **Decision Timeline:**

- Application Deadline: March 15, 2020
  - *We may allow an extension based on special circumstances.*
- KI Revision of Applications: March 16, 2020 – March 22, 2020
  - *We will review applications and send recommendations to our community partners*
- Partner Revision of Applications: March 23, 2020 – March 29, 2020
  - *Our partners will review a small pool of applicants and decide who they will select to work with them*
- Decision Notification: March 31, 2020
  - *Once we received all the decisions from our partners we will inform students if they were successfully placed with a partner organization*

## **Internship Timeline:**

- Georgetown University Dorm Move-In: May 31, 2020
- Internship Orientation: June 4, 2020 – June 5, 2020
- 1<sup>st</sup> Day with Partner Organization: June 8, 2020
- Activities, Museum Visits, Dinners: TBD
- Last Day with Partner Organization: July 31, 2020
- Celebration Dinner: July 31, 2020

## **Benefits of the Internship**

The KI Summer Organizing Internship is a paid internship. You will receive housing at Georgetown University as well as \$3,000 stipend to cover food and living costs for the duration of the internship. Additionally, you will receive a \$250 transportation stipend. The internship will not provide health benefits.

## **Internship Placement Organizations**

Students may indicate a preference for a particular placement organization, but this does not guarantee they will be assigned to their preferred placement (however, we will try to take preferences into account).

Potential\* placements for the Internship this summer include:

- [Collective Action for Safe Spaces](#)
- [DC Jobs with Justice](#)
- [Empower DC](#)
- [Ethiopian Community Center](#)
- [Good Jobs First](#)
- [Latino Economic Development Center](#)
- [Many Languages One Voice \(MLOV\)](#)
- [ONE DC](#)
- [Restaurant Opportunity Center DC](#)
- [Washington Lawyers Committee](#)

\*We will select 6 interns to work with 6 different organizations based on interest and skills.

## **Eligibility and Requirements of the Program**

### **Work Expectations:**

Generally, interns will work for a maximum of 40 total hours per week. Work on the weekend and evening work may be required. Organizing work is highly dependent on the needs of each individual campaign and final schedules will be set by each organization.

### **Desired Skills/Qualifications**

The applicant should:

- Have a strong interest in deepening their knowledge and understanding of social and economic justice and what this means for workers in the American economy;
- Demonstrate a willingness to engage with community members;
- Be a team player who works well with others;
- Be a self-starter who is motivated to tackle projects and the task at hand;
- Bring energy, creativity, enthusiasm, and an open mind to the work of organizing.

Prior organizing experience and familiarity with the history of the US labor movement is not necessary but will be considered as useful assets in favor of an applicant.

## **Application Materials**

**In order to receive consideration for the KI Summer Organizing Internship, student applicants must:**

- Complete the application form
- Provide a one-page personal statement
- Provide two references
- Submit a short biography
- Submit a resume

**Applications are due Sunday, March 15, 2020 by 11:59pm**

Please submit your application, a short biography, and a resume to [kilwp@georgetown.edu](mailto:kilwp@georgetown.edu)

Reach out to **Juan L. Belman Guerrero** [juan.belman@georgetown.edu](mailto:juan.belman@georgetown.edu) for questions or an informational meeting.