

**Application deadline:** March 15, 2017

## **Internship available: Policy and Communications Intern Summer 2017**

### **Description**

The Great Lakes Commission (GLC) seeks a Policy and Communications Intern to participate in a range of activities in support of its work to advance the environment and economy of the eight-state, two-province Great Lakes region. This individual will work alongside our policy director and communications manager to create awareness of our work with the media, Congress, the administration and other stakeholders. The position is ideal for applicants interested in gaining experience in nonprofit communications, policy and advocacy.

### **Qualifications**

This internship is intended for graduate students or those entering graduate programs. Upper-level undergraduate students with strong qualifications will also be considered. Candidates should be pursuing degrees in communications, journalism, political science, policy studies or a similar field with a strong background in writing, policy analysis, or related skills. The successful candidate will be self-motivated, able to work independently, and have an interest in preserving natural resources. Desired qualifications include a familiarity with social media and WordPress.

### **Location and Duration**

The intern will work in the GLC's offices in Ann Arbor, Michigan. Some travel may be required. The intended duration is four months, May through August 2017. Specific start and end dates are negotiable.

### **Intern Projects**

The Intern's projects may include: writing news releases, blog posts and articles; writing and planning social media posts; developing communications materials for the GLC's policy and advocacy program; preparing communications for Members of Congress and federal agencies; expanding the GLC's web content for policy and advocacy; supporting other projects as appropriate for the position.

### **Compensation**

A stipend will be provided.

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## **Application Instructions and Deadline**

To apply, please email [beth@glc.org](mailto:beth@glc.org) with a cover letter, resume, two writing samples (5 pages or less) and two references. **The application deadline is Friday, March 15, 2017.** The successful applicant will be notified by April 5.

*No phone calls, please.*

## **About the Great Lakes Commission**

The Great Lakes Commission was established in 1955 with a mandate to “promote the orderly, integrated and comprehensive development, use and conservation of the water resources of the Great Lakes basin.” Founded in state law with U.S. federal consent, with membership consisting of the eight Great Lakes states and associate member status for the provinces of Ontario and Québec, the Commission pursues four primary functions: communication and education, information integration and reporting, facilitation and consensus building, and policy coordination and advocacy. Each Member jurisdiction is represented by a delegation consisting of three to five members who are appointees of the respective governor or premier, legislators or senior agency officials. A board of directors, consisting of the chair of each delegation, is the Commission’s executive body. In carrying out its initiatives, the Commission works in close cooperation with many partner organizations, including U.S. and Canadian federal agencies, binational institutions, tribal/First Nation governments and other regional interests. Representatives appointed by partner entities participate extensively in Commission activities through a formal Observer program. The Commission is supported by a professional staff in Ann Arbor, Mich. Learn more at [glc.org](http://glc.org).

**Note:** The Great Lakes Commission, as an equal opportunity employer, complies with applicable federal and state laws prohibiting discrimination. It is the policy of the Great Lakes Commission that no person shall be discriminated against, as an employee or applicant for employment, because of race, color, national origin, religion, age, sex, height, weight, sexual orientation, marital status, partisan considerations or a disability or genetic information that is unrelated to the person’s ability to perform the duties of a particular job or position.