



Strengthening Indigenous Governance

2023 NATIVE AMERICAN CONGRESSIONAL INTERNSHIP

Please read all instructions to ensure that the information you provide is accurate and complete. Applications that do not follow instructions or are incomplete will not be considered by the selection committee.

- The application must be typed, using 1" margins and no smaller than 12 point font.
- The resume must be typed, using 1" margins and no smaller than 12 point font. The resume should not exceed two pages.
- The short answer questions should be single-spaced. Please do not exceed the maximum word count for each question.
- The essay should be double-spaced and include a references/citations page.

Application Deadline: emailed by 11:59 PM PST on January 31, 2023.

- Application materials must be emailed to Jason Curley, Education Programs Manager, at curley@udall.gov.
- Please do not mail your application materials to the Udall Foundation.

Letters of Recommendation: emailed by 11:59 PM PST on January 31, 2023.

- Writers of recommendation letters must email signed digital copies of their letter to Jason Curley, Education Programs Manager, at curley@udall.gov.
- Please do not mail recommendation letters to the Udall Foundation.

Transcripts: emailed by 11:59 PM PST on January 31, 2023.

- Current and previous school transcripts must be emailed to Jason Curley, Education Programs Manager, at curley@udall.gov.
- Please do not mail transcripts to the Udall Foundation.

A COMPLETE APPLICATION CONSISTS OF:

- Signed application form (Section 1)
- Resume (Section 2)
- Completed short answers (Section 3)
- Essay, signed and dated (Section 4)
- Three recommendation letters (Section 5)
- Current official transcript (Section 6)
- Other transcripts from colleges/universities attended for credit within the past 6 years (Section 6)
- Copy of Tribal enrollment card or Tribal verification documents (Section 6)
- (If applicable) Proof of U.S. permanent residency (Section 6)

Section One: Application Form

Personal Information

Legal Full Name:			
Date of birth:			
Are you a	<input type="checkbox"/> U.S. Citizen	<input type="checkbox"/> U.S. Permanent Resident (Canadian First Nation)	
Tribal affiliation:			
Enrollment Status:	<input type="checkbox"/> Enrolled	<input type="checkbox"/> Not Enrolled (Descendant of enrolled member)	
Additional Tribal affiliation(s):			
State of Permanent Residence:			
Congressional Voter Registration (State/District No.):			

Permanent residence is established by at least two of the following: home address for school registration; place of registration to vote; family's primary residence.

Contact Information

Mailing Address:					
City:		State:		Zip:	
Best telephone:			Best email address:		

Education

Current Grade level:	<input type="checkbox"/> Junior	<input type="checkbox"/> Senior	<input type="checkbox"/> Graduate	<input type="checkbox"/> Law Student	<input type="checkbox"/> Recent Graduate
Undergraduate Institution:					
Location:				Start Date:	
Undergraduate Major:					
Undergraduate Minor:					
Undergraduate Completion Date (month/year):					
GPA:			On a scale of:		
Graduate Institution (if applicable):					
Location:				Start Date:	
Graduate Degree Program:					
GPA:			On a scale of:		
Graduate Completion Date (month/year):					

I, _____ have read and understood the conditions of the Internship. I waive the right to access letters of recommendation written on my behalf. This application, including the essay, is my own work or formally cited from other sources. The information contained herein is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Signature:

Date:

Section 2: Resume

Your resume should observe the following general format: Objective, Education History, Professional Experience, Clubs and Organizations, Awards and Recognition, Related Experience (i.e. coursework, research, and extracurricular activities). Please submit your resume as a separate document. (1-2 pages)

Section 3: Short Answer

1. Describe your educational and professional goals. Indicate in which area(s) you hope to work and what issues you hope to address in your career. How will the Udall Internship assist you in achieving your goals? (250-300 words)

2. As a Udall intern, you may be asked to work with a variety of staff, fellow interns, and stakeholders. Please describe situations in which you have worked effectively as part of a group or team. Provide examples that illustrate your approach to group dynamics, problem-solving, and/or conflict. (250-300 words)

3. What specific policy issues or legislative areas are you most interested in? (100-150 words)
(Please indicate three or more areas of interest).

4. Describe any additional skills or accomplishments that you consider relevant to an internship with a Congressional office or Federal agency. (300-350 words)

5. Describe a specific activity or experience that has been important in clarifying or strengthening your commitment to working in Indian Country. (250-300 words)

6. Describe any public service and/or volunteer activities in which you have participated that demonstrate your interest in Tribal public policy and/or Tribal communities. Explain the duration, degree and significance of your involvement. (300-350 words)

7. What else would you like for us to know about you? (250-300 words)

8. (OPTIONAL) Briefly explain any COVID-19 related impacts you have experienced that would be important for the selection committee to know. This can include disruptions to education and/or your ability to participate in school, community, or Tribal activities; jobs or internships; research; or leadership experiences. (100-150 words)

Section 4: Essay

Briefly summarize a legislative act or policy statement of Congressman Morris K. Udall or Secretary of Interior Stewart L. Udall that relates to your interest in an area of Tribal public policy. Analyze its impact or potential impact and relate the issues it addresses specifically to your educational and career goals. Please submit your essay as a separate document. (650-800 words)

If selected as an Intern, your essay will be used as a writing sample when arranging your office placement.

Section 5: Recommendation Letters

Please provide names, titles, and contact information of three individuals who have written your letters of recommendation for the Internship. Letters should be written on official letterhead, signed by the recommender, and can be submitted separately from the application.

Name:		Email:	
Title:		Phone:	
<input type="checkbox"/> Tribal Official <input type="checkbox"/> Community Leader <input type="checkbox"/> Faculty Member <input type="checkbox"/> Other			
Name:		Email:	
Title:		Phone:	
<input type="checkbox"/> Tribal Official <input type="checkbox"/> Community Leader <input type="checkbox"/> Faculty Member <input type="checkbox"/> Other			
Name:		Email:	
Title:		Phone:	
<input type="checkbox"/> Tribal Official <input type="checkbox"/> Community Leader <input type="checkbox"/> Faculty Member <input type="checkbox"/> Other			

Please tell us how you heard about the Native American Congressional Internship.

<input type="checkbox"/> Advertisement	<input type="checkbox"/> Alumni	<input type="checkbox"/> Direct mailing	<input type="checkbox"/> Email
<input type="checkbox"/> Tribe	<input type="checkbox"/> Faculty/Staff	<input type="checkbox"/> Law school	<input type="checkbox"/> Native program
<input type="checkbox"/> Web search	<input type="checkbox"/> Social media	<input type="checkbox"/> Conference	<input type="checkbox"/> Udall Foundation
<input type="checkbox"/> Other (please specify):			

Please tell us who referred you to our program:	
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Please provide names and contact information of organizations or people with whom to share information about our programs.

Name & Contact	
Name & Contact	

Section 6: Supporting Documents

- Current official transcript – *may be submitted separately.*
- Other transcripts (unofficial) from colleges or universities attended **for credit** within the past 6 years – *may be submitted separately.*
- Proof of Tribal enrollment or descent – *please **do not** submit original documents:*
 - Copy of enrollment forms, cards, and/or descent documentation such as a certificate of degree of Indian or Alaska Native blood.
 - Descendants of enrolled Tribal members must provide copies of their parent's or grandparent's enrollment and birth certificates that demonstrate the applicant's relationship to the enrolled Tribal member.
- Proof of U.S. permanent residency – *for First Nations of Canada members only*

Application Resources

- Link to application materials:
<http://udall.gov/OurPrograms/Internship/Apply.aspx>
- Link to advice for the application:
<http://udall.gov/OurPrograms/Internship/AdviceAndGuidance.aspx>

2023 Program Important Dates:

The following dates are subject to change as circumstances around COVID-19 continue to unfold. Please monitor the [important dates](#) section of our website to get updates on any changes. Your understanding is greatly appreciated.

October 15, 2022	<i>The application is available at www.udall.gov</i>
January 31, 2023	<i>Internship application, letters of recommendation, transcripts (current/other), and other supporting documents must be emailed and received by 11:59 PM PST on this date. Incomplete applications will not be reviewed by the selection committee.</i>
February 13 – 17, 2023	<i>The Internship selection committee conducts video interviews with finalists.</i>
February 24, 2023	<i>The Udall Foundation will notify all applicants of the Internship results.</i>
March 1, 2023	<i>Deadline for Udall Foundation receipt of Intern Consent and Release form.</i>
March 8, 2023	<i>Deadline for Udall Foundation receipt of all Intern forms.</i>
March 31, 2023	<i>Udall Interns announced at www.udall.gov</i>
May 24 to July 29, 2023	<i>Udall Native American Congressional Internship Program, Washington, D.C.</i>

Thank you for your interest in the Udall Native American Congressional Internship!

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