

Fall Semester 2019 Intern

Eligible Applicants: NYU/Stern MBA2

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Natural Resources Defense Council - American Cities Climate Challenge

The Natural Resources Defense Council (NRDC) is the nation's most effective environmental action organization. We use law, science and the support of 3.1 million members and online activists to protect the planet's wildlife and wild places and to ensure a safe and healthy environment for all living things. NRDC was founded in 1970 and our staff helped write some of America's bedrock environmental laws, including the Clean Water Act, and many of the implementing regulations; our water enforcement cases played a major role shaping current water policy throughout the country. Today, our staff of more than 500 lawyers, scientists, economists, policy and communications experts, and others, work out of offices in New York, Washington, Chicago, Los Angeles, San Francisco, Bozeman, Montana and Beijing.

Position Summary:

NRDC is seeking an MBA Intern to work with the American Cities Climate Challenge team in our New York office. The role will be paid, part time (10 hours/week) for 12-14 weeks between 15 Sep 2019 and 31 December 2019.

The American Cities Climate Challenge is an unprecedented opportunity for 25 ambitious cities to significantly deepen and accelerate their efforts to tackle climate change and promote a sustainable future for their residents. Originally open to 20 American cities, the program was expanded to 25 cities due to the strength of the applications received.

As Climate Challenge winners, 25 cities have been accepted into a two-year acceleration program with powerful new resources and access to cutting-edge support to help them meet – or beat – their near-term carbon reduction goals. These resources include a philanthropy-funded team member to facilitate the development and passage of high impact policies, training for senior leadership to assist with implementation of their proposed climate plans, and citizen engagement support to maximize community buy-in.

This internship will be paid jointly by the Natural Resources Defense Council and the NYU/Stern Center for Sustainable Business.

Responsibilities:

- Financial and Environmental Research
- Municipal Financing Methods
- Quantitative Analysis & Modeling
- Energy Efficiency Financings
- Legislative/Policy Research
- Project Support

Qualifications:

The intern will work supporting the American Cities Climate Challenge in New York:

- Sustainable/high road infrastructure, which brings cities and investors together around standards for low carbon resilient infrastructure, green bonds and new kinds of public-private partnerships;
- The green bank movement, which uses targeted public money to increase private investment in sustainable infrastructure;
- Equitable finance/mission-driven investing, which is focused on tackling the challenges of underserved markets and prioritizing the integration and mainstreaming of health, climate change and social justice in infrastructure investments; and
- Local and regional financing strategies that support cities and regions that are committed to dramatically decreasing their carbon emissions and adapting to the effects of climate change.

The internship supports the broader goal to create significant impact in advancing strategies that achieve a cleaner economy for all.

Finance background is strongly preferred. Understanding of finance structures a plus, but not essential.

Additional Information: Potential opportunities interaction across several programs and projects within NRDC, including: Strong, Prosperous and Resilient Communities Challenge and Energy Efficiency for All.

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To apply, please visit www.nrdc.org/careers and upload your resume and cover letter through our online portal. We would like you to upload any additional papers or project work that you think would showcase your abilities. Please no phone calls, emails, faxes or in-person resume drop-offs. Please reference where you saw this posting. NRDC is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

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NOTE: Your HR partner will review the documents you submit and contact you to let you know if the request is approved. Our internship program is continuing to evolve to allow NRDC to continue to meet goals around DEI, budget, additional capacity, and relationship-building with aspiring environmental professionals. HR will provide updates to our policies as warranted.

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