

INTERN/VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY

United States Pretrial Services Central District of California

POSITION

POSITION OVERVIEW

Intern/Volunteer

LOCATION

DOWNTOWN LOS ANGELES

SALARY

Unpaid, but experience is priceless

OPENING DATE

Ongoing--2018

CLOSING DATE

Open

ANNOUNCEMENT

CACPT 2018 LA The United States Pretrial Services Agency, part of the Federal Judiciary, has a unique opportunity for a student intern/volunteer who is interested in a career in Criminal Justice. We have one or two positions located at one of the federal courthouses in downtown LA. The person could start at any mutually agreed upon date, and would commit to approximately 12-16 hours a week between the hours of 8:00 am to 4:30 pm, weekdays. The length of the assignment is open, but we prefer a three-month minimum commitment.

This is a chance for the selected undergraduate or graduate student to gain significant insight and experience with the federal court and pretrial system in the investigation and supervision of federal defendants and the process of making bail recommendations to the court. The student would work closely with pretrial services officers in the following areas:

- Case management
- Inputting chronological entries in our system
- Accompanying officers in interviewing defendants
- Verifying personal information and criminal histories
- Accompanying U.S. Pretrial Services staff to Court
- Contacting state and other federal agencies
- Accompanying officers to the federal detention center, or other law enforcement offices
- Assisting with processing criminal history verifications

A U.S. Pretrial Services Officer conducts investigations of federal defendants, assesses risks of nonappearance and danger to the community, and makes recommendations to the court on the type of bail and conditions to be met by the defendant if released. Additionally, U.S. Pretrial Services Officers supervise defendants from the time of their release until sentencing or self-surrender to serve a prison term.

QUALIFICATIONS

Basic familiarity with the criminal justice system. GPA of 3.0 or higher strongly preferred.

EDUCATION

Junior, senior, graduate student or recent graduate with a major in Criminal Justice, Sociology, Psychology or related field.

MORE INFORMATION/HOW TO APPLY

Here's a link to more information about our internship program, including the requirements and how to apply: http://www.cacpt.uscourts.gov/internship.html

Here's the main website for the U.S. Courts, which provides additional insight: www.uscourts.gov