



Organization

J Street is the political home for pro-Israel, pro-peace Americans. The organization gives political voice to mainstream American Jews and other supporters of Israel who, informed by their progressive and Jewish values, believe that a two-state solution to the Israeli-Palestinian conflict is essential to Israel’s survival as the national home of the Jewish people and as a vibrant democracy. J Street’s mission is two-fold: first, to advocate for urgent American diplomatic leadership to achieve a two-state solution and a broader regional, comprehensive peace and, second, to ensure a broad debate on Israel and the Middle East in national politics and the American Jewish community.

J Street represents Americans, primarily but not exclusively Jewish, who support Israel and its desire for security as the Jewish homeland, as well as the right of the Palestinians to a sovereign state of their own – two states living side-by-side in peace and security. We believe ending the Israeli-Palestinian conflict is in the best interests of Israel, the United States, the Palestinians, and the region as a whole.

J Street supports diplomatic solutions over military ones, including in Iran; multilateral over unilateral approaches to conflict resolution; and dialogue over confrontation with a wide range of countries and actors when conflicts do arise. For more on our policy positions, visit: www.jstreet.org/issues.

J Street advocates forcefully in the policy process, in Congress, in the media, and in the Jewish community to make sure public officials and community leaders clearly see the depth and breadth of support for our views on Middle East policy among voters and supporters in their states and districts. We seek to complement the work of existing organizations and individuals that share our agenda. In our lobbying and advocacy efforts, we enlist individual supporters of other efforts as partners.

The J Street family of organizations includes J Street – a 501(c)(4) non-profit which is responsible for lobbying and advocacy; JStreetPAC – a federal political action committee that endorses and raises money for federal candidates who support active American leadership to bring peace and security to Israel and the Middle East; and the J Street Education Fund – a 501(c)(3) that aims to educate communities about the need for a two-state solution to the Israeli-Palestinian conflict and promote open, dynamic and spirited conversation about how to best advance the interests and future of a democratic, Jewish Israel. J Street Local, J Street’s national field program and J Street U, J Street’s campus movement are programs of the J Street Education Fund.

Currently, J Street has internship openings in Boston, Washington D.C., Chicago, Los Angeles and New York.

Position Title: Government Affairs Internship

Reports to: Assistant Director of Government Affairs

Start Date: January 2015

Location: Washington, DC

Position

J Street is seeking a highly motivated and externally oriented undergraduate student or recent graduate to intern in our Washington, DC office for the winter of the 2014 – 2015 school year. This internship is an excellent opportunity to get involved in J Street's work.

This position will involve assisting the Government Affairs team on assorted administrative, clerical, research, and programmatic tasks and projects. Many of these duties will be in support of staff's lobbying activities on Capitol Hill. This position will also be assisting in the planning and execution of J Street's Advocacy Day on Capitol Hill.

Applicants should have:

- Excellent written and verbal communication skills
- Excellent organizational skills
- Proficiency in Microsoft suite; experience with database management and Excel a plus
- Experience in event planning a plus

Compensation and Time Commitment

This is an unpaid internship

Applicants must be able to work at least 15-20 hours per week, and occasional during events. This includes attending/working the J Street National Conference.

Applicants should send a resume and a cover letter to kevin@jstreet.org. Please include days and times you will be available to work.