



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2019-2020

LFIR#: 2246

1. **Title of Project:** Washington Intern Study Experience

2. **Senate Sponsor:** Joe Gruters

3. **Date of Submission:** 02/27/2019

4. **Project/Program Description:**

The purpose of the funds is to provide more access to Washington D. C. Internships to Florida students. Internships are an important part of the college experience where students learn vital professional skills that lead to jobs post-graduation. Students earn academic credit, thereby staying on track for graduation. The funds will provide the ability to cover the cost of participation in an internship program in a location of interest, academic guidance and professional development support. 250 State University Students will have access to \$2,000 scholarships for the program.

5. **State Agency to receive requested funds :** Board of Governors

State Agency Contacted? Yes

6. **Amount of the Nonrecurring Request for Fiscal Year 2019-2020**

Type of Funding	Amount
Operations	500,000
Fixed Capital Outlay	
Total State Funds Requested	500,000

7. **Total Project Cost for Fiscal Year 2019-2020 (including matching funds available for this project)**

Type of Funding	Amount	Percent
Total State Funds Requested (from question #6)	500,000	60.61%
Federal	0	0.00%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0.00%
Local	0	0.00%
Other	325,000	39.39%
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2019-2020	825,000	100.0%

8. **Has this project previously received state funding?** No

Fiscal Year (yyyy-yy)	Amount		Specific Appropriation #	Vetoed
	Recurring	NonRecurring		

9. **Is future-year funding likely to be requested?** Yes

a. If yes, indicate non-recurring amount per year. 500000



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10. Details on how the requested state funds will be expended

Spending Category	Description	Amount
Administrative Costs:		
Executive Director/Project Head Salary and Benefits		
Other Salary and Benefits		
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other	Scholarships for State University or College Students. \$2,000 per Florida student	500,000
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		
Operational Costs:		
Salary and Benefits		
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		
Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:		
Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering		
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		500,000

11. Program Performance:

a. What is the specific purpose or goal that will be achieved by the funds requested?

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b. What are the activities and services that will be provided to meet the intended purpose of these funds?

The purpose of the funds would be to pay for the cost of Internship Placement, Professional and Social Development Programs, and Academic Support for students.

c. What are the direct services to be provided to citizens by the appropriations project?

Students will receive, personalized internship counseling and interview preparation, internship placement, academic credit for the internship, access to professional and social development programs, professional networking opportunities. Enables students to advance their academic progress while interning

d. Who is the target population served by this project? How many individuals are expected to be served?

State University Students

e. What is the expected benefit or outcome of this project? What is the methodology by which this outcome will be measured?



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Improve Education: Academic credit, work experience, letter of recommendation, job offers, stronger Florida college and university DC presence, improved graduation rates. Students will complete coursework for their respective universities, complete internship projects for grades and school credits.

- f. **What are the suggested penalties that the contracting agency may consider in addition to its standard penalties for failing to meet deliverables or performance measures provided for in the contract?**

Repayment of the funds

12. **The owner(s) of the facility to receive, directly or indirectly, any fixed capital outlay funding. Include the relationship between the owner(s) of the facility and the entity.**

N/A

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- a. **Organization:** Washington Intern Study Experience
- b. **County:** Statewide
- c. **Organization Type:**
 - For Profit
 - Non Profit 501(c) (3)
 - Non Profit 501(c) (4)
 - Local Entity
 - University or College
 - Other (Please specify)
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