

## Texas & Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association Fall 2024 Internship: Government Relations

Texas & Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association is a 147-year-old trade organization. As the largest livestock association in Texas, TSCRA represents more than 28,000 individuals and businesses that contribute to the production of beef and stewardship of natural resources throughout the Southwest. TSCRA provides law enforcement and livestock inspection services, legislative and regulatory advocacy, industry news and information, insurance services and educational opportunities for its members and the industry.

The government relations internship is a full-time internship that requires relocation to Austin, Texas. The internship frequently requires participants to work outside of traditional business hours. Participants are expected to wear business professional attire each day.

## **General Responsibilities**

- Students will serve an integral role on the government relations team by advocating on behalf of TSCRA's members at the Texas Capitol.
- Students will regularly interact with and work closely with elected officials and their staff, and as such should always conduct themselves within a professional manner.
- Students will assist in monitoring, analyzing, reporting, and acting on legislative and regulatory issues impacting TSCRA members.
- Students will serve as event coordinators for TSCRA's government relations office and the Cattle Raisers PAC fundraising events.
- Students can expect to perform operational office tasks such as answering phones, managing office supply inventory, coordinating in-office meetings, etc.

## **Qualifications / Specifics**

- Must be classified as a junior, senior or graduate student in college at an accredited university pursuing or recently obtained degree in agriculture, political science, government, or a related field.
- Minimum 3.0 GPA recommended.
- Be available mid-August to mid-December, with flexibility on school schedule and online classes.
- Willing to relocate and live in Austin, Texas, during the duration of internship.
- Office attire is business professional most days.
- Agricultural industry experience and knowledge of the issues affecting it preferred.
- Strong communication, writing and organizational skills.
- Experience working with commonly used computer hardware and software packages.

This is a paid internship, and multiple positions may be available for the right candidates. Students must submit a cover letter, resume and letter of recommendation via Adobe PDF. The deadline for completed applications is Monday, July 1, 2024. Applications or questions should be submitted to <a href="mailto:education@tscra.org">education@tscra.org</a> and reference Government Relations Fall 2024 Internship.