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**State of North Carolina Internship Program Welcomes  
Class of Summer 2021**

*Program orientation begins May 24*

**RALEIGH, NC** – Today, 71 students, representing 24 of North Carolina counties, will embark on a 10-week educational experience at one of North Carolina’s state government agencies. For more than 50 years, the State of North Carolina Internship Program has provided state government work opportunities to North Carolina students attending a college, university, technical institute, or community college.

“This internship program offers an excellent opportunity for students to gain valuable work experience while learning about state government operations,” said NC Department of Administration (DOA) Secretary Pamela B. Cashwell. “My hope is that these students will develop a passion for public service and come back to work for the State after graduation.”

On May 24, students participated in a virtual program orientation with Secretary Cashwell and members of the Internship Council Panel. The State of North Carolina Internship Program is coordinated by the DOA’s Council for Women and Youth Involvement, offering college students across the state an opportunity to connect lessons learned in the classroom to potential career choices in public service.

Last year, due to the COVID-19 pandemic, intern work assignments were strictly virtual. This year, the Program will continue its virtual format, allowing students to work remotely to gain practical workplace skills in a variety of professional areas ranging from public policy to tourism.

Additionally, students will participate in virtual networking opportunities with state government leaders for career development.

Summer interns are selected annually through a competitive process overseen by the NC Internship Council.

For more information on the State of North Carolina Internship Program, please visit the NC Council for Women & Youth Involvement [website](#).

**2021 State of North Carolina Interns**

<b>Intern First Name</b>	<b>Intern Last Name</b>	<b>School</b>	<b>Hometown County</b>
Menaka	Atree	University of Michigan	Wake
Madison Elise	Barfield	University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill	Wake
Isabella	Berenjian	North Carolina State University	Wake
Akshatha	Bharadwaj	University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill	Durham
Caroline	Brinson	University of North Carolina at Wilmington	New Hanover
De'Ja	Bunyan	North Carolina Central University	Durham
William Reid	Calhoun	University of the South	Wake
Samantha	Cline	Western Carolina University	Cumberland
Leila	Coe	East Carolina University	Wake
Abigail	Coffey	University of North Carolina at Charlotte	Mecklenburg
Lily	Cooper	Duke University	Durham
Geoffrey	Dean	University of Missouri	Wake
Samara	Demary	Peace University	Wake
Merel	Devaney	University of North Carolina at Charlotte	Wake
Brady	Dillingham	North Carolina State University	Buncombe
David Joseph	DiMaggio	Elon University School of Law	Guilford
Wallace	Driggers	Campbell University School of Law	Wake
Christa	Dutton	Wake Forest University	Wake
Josiah	Faison	High Point University	Duplin
Kira	Fowler	Appalachian State University	Wake

Lily	Fowler	American University	Orange
Collin	Geersen	North Carolina State University	Wake
Katie	Geith	Northeastern University	Orange
Riley	Gilmore	University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill	Wake
Kyle	Gray	Duke University	Durham
David	Harmon	Clemson University	Johnston
Daniel Tyler	Harrell	Washington University School of Law	Wake
Meah	Harris	University of North Carolina at Greensboro	Wake
Danielle	Hillie	North Carolina Central University	Cabarrus
Tessa	Hong	University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill	Orange
Matthew Ruark	Hoskins	North Carolina State University	Wake
Madison	Irving	North Carolina State University	Perquimans
Rhea	Jayaswal	University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill	Wake
Sarah	Jefcoat	University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill	Guilford
Austin	Johnson	North Carolina State University	Dare
Stuti	Joshi	University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill	Wake
Sabrina	Kapp	North Carolina State University	Wake
Kelly	Koehler	North Carolina State University	Carteret
Nicolas	MacGregor	Appalachian State University	Watauga
Tara	Maldonado	University of North Carolina at Pembroke	Robeson
Rosie	Maloney	North Carolina State University	Orange
Theodore	Marsh, Jr	North Carolina Central University School of Law	Granville
Jack	Mathura	University of North Carolina at Charlotte	Wake
Abigail	McNaughton	University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill	Orange

Sascha	Medina	University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill	New Hanover
La'Mya	Moffett	Fayetteville State University	Cumberland
Dylan C.	Morgan	University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill	Mecklenburg
Diana	Nava	University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill	Lincoln
Selma	Okyere-Badoo	North Carolina State University	Wake
Hanne	Parks	North Carolina State University	Orange
Talina	Perez	Appalachian State University	Lee
Katharine	Priu	Johns Hopkins University	Wake
Meg	Pugsley	North Carolina State University	Wake
Seth Allen	Ratliff	University of North Carolina at Charlotte	Iredell
Edgar	Rodriguez	North Carolina State University	Johnston
Madison Ryley	Ruff	North Carolina State University	Carteret
Aaron	Saunders	North Carolina A&T State University	Wake
Madeline	Schehl	North Carolina State University	Wake
Kyle	Scott	University of North Carolina at Greensboro	Johnston
Stuti	Shah	University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill	Mecklenburg
Rajesh	Shrestha	North Carolina Central University	Wake
Abigail	Siracusa	Methodist University	California
Sophia	Solan	Elon University	Out of State
Sarah	Stern	North Carolina State University	Wake
Leo	Street	Davidson County Community College	Cabarrus
Edna	Ulysse	Wake Forest University	Forsyth
Abigail	Ware	North Carolina State University	Wake
Eason	Warren	Barton College	Pitt
Taylor	Weddington	University of North Carolina at Wilmington	New Hanover

Brenna	Weymouth	University of North Carolina at Asheville	Buncombe
Rachel	Wilson	University of Kentucky	Buncombe
Andrew	Worrell	University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill	Lee

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### **About NC Department of Administration**

Established in 1957, the North Carolina Department of Administration acts as the business manager for North Carolina state government. Under the leadership of Secretary Pamela Brewington Cashwell since appointed by Governor Roy Cooper in 2021, the department oversees government operations and advocacy programs. The department's advocacy programs provide advocacy, assistance and services to diverse segments of the state's population that have been traditionally underserved.

### **About the NC Council for Women and Youth Involvement**

The North Carolina Council for Women and Youth Involvement (CFWYI) is a division of the North Carolina Department of Administration. The mission of the Council is to advise the Governor, state legislators and state leaders on issues that impact women and youth.

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