

## Public Service Student Opportunities

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Career Area	City/ County	Program Type	Age/ Grade	Other Criteria	Description
Administration	Shawnee	<a href="#">Internship</a>	Age 18+	Some require college coursework in a related field	This program gives students an opportunity to be exposed to work in the public sector prior to graduation. Submit application online for consideration.
Administration	Johnson County	<a href="#">Student Election Worker</a>	Ages 16 & 17 only.	Must be JoCo resident & be registered to vote	Opportunity to serve as an election worker during a local election.
Administration	Olathe	<a href="#">Teen Council</a>	High School	Must be Olathe resident	Students learn about civic engagement and government and meet community leaders. The program involves attending Teen Council meetings, City Council Meetings, School Board meetings, or other leadership opportunities.
Administration	Overland Park	<a href="#">Teen Council</a>	High School	Must attend an Overland Park High School	Program that allows high school students to get an inside look at local government. Over the course of the school year, students will learn about different city departments, attend committee meetings, participate in and lead service projects, and form relationships with their elected leaders.
Administration	Unified Government WyCo/KCK	<a href="#">Election Worker</a>	Age 16+	Must be a U.S. citizen & resident of Wyandotte Co.	Kansas high school students (16+) are eligible to be election workers. This opportunity provides a greater awareness of the electoral process and rights/responsibilities of voters.
Community Development	Leawood	<a href="#">Planning Intern</a>	College Junior or Senior	Pursuing planning/urban/architecture degree	City Planning Intern during the Summer. Email <a href="mailto:HumanResources@Leawood.org">HumanResources@Leawood.org</a> to request more information.
Community Development	Merriam	<a href="#">Job Shadowing</a>	N/A	N/A	Job shadowing for students interested in Building Inspection, Neighborhood Code Enforcement or City Planning. Students can shadow a building inspector, a code enforcement officer or a city planner for a day (or more) to learn more about those professions. Contact <a href="mailto:bdyer@merriam.org">bdyer@merriam.org</a> .
Courts & Legal	Kansas City, MO	<a href="#">Law Intern</a>	One year of law school	N/A	The Office of the City Attorney provides legal services to the Mayor, the City Council, City Manager, boards, commissions, and all other departments of the City. Interns may be placed in one of three general divisions to assist attorneys with cases, projects and other legal matters. (Also eligible with undergrad degree and interest in law.)
Courts & Legal	Cass County	<a href="#">Youth Court</a>	Ages 12 to 19; Grades 7 to 12	Enrolled in a public or private school, or Home School.	Youth Court is a peer court. Juvenile offenders are given the choice of appearing before the Youth Court or going to Cass County Juvenile Court. They will be tried, judged, defended and sentenced, or exonerated by a court made up of their peers.
Courts & Legal	Grandview	<a href="#">Youth Court</a>	Ages 12 to 19; Grades 7 to 12	Grandview resident or attend Grandview Consolidated School District #4.	Getting involved in Youth Court is a great way to help the community and build valuable experience. Prospective members receive an initial six weeks of training classes presented by local attorneys. At the end of training, all students must pass a "bar" exam before serving in Youth Court.
Courts & Legal	Independence	<a href="#">Youth Court</a>	Ages 13 to 18	Resident of Independence & attend a junior or senior high public or private school	Youth Court is a peer court. Juvenile offenders are given the choice of appearing before the Youth Court or going to Jackson County Family Court. They will be Tried, Judged, Defended and convicted or exonerated by a court made up of other juveniles. Adults will be available to monitor proceedings. However, the youth selected to serve the court will make the final decisions.
Courts & Legal	Jackson County	<a href="#">Youth Court</a>	N/A	N/A	Youth Court is a peer tried court.
Courts & Legal	Johnson County	<a href="#">District Attorney Volunteer</a>	Age 18+	See website	As a volunteer you will have an opportunity to advocate for the victim. You will help educate the public to the criminal justice process, while enhancing the efficiency of prosecuting the case. Volunteers help the unit to serve more victims in a timely manner and also allow for more individualized time to be given to victims.

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Courts & Legal	Johnson County	<a href="#">Internship</a>	N/A	Completion of 2nd year of law school	Paid intern program for law students that have completed their second year of law school.
Courts & Legal	Johnson County	<a href="#">Youth Court</a>	Contact for Details	Contact for details	Youth volunteers participate in the roles of: prosecuting and defense attorneys, judges, jury members, and bailiffs.
Courts & Legal	Lee's Summit	<a href="#">Youth Court</a>	Ages 13 to 19	Resident of Lee's Summit <u>or</u> attend a public, private school or home school within the R-7 School District.	Youth Court is a diversion program designed on the concept of "positive peer pressure". Juvenile offenders are given the choice of appearing before our court or going to the Jackson County Circuit Court, Family Court Division in Kansas City, MO. They will be defended, tried, judged, convicted or exonerated by a court comprised of other youths. Adult attorneys and the youth officer are available for advice, but youths will make the final decisions.
Fire/EMS	Johnson County	<a href="#">Emergency Mgt Internship</a>	Contact for Details	Contact for details	Internship for individuals that are looking at the emergency management career field from both the academic and career advancement aspects.
Fire/EMS	Johnson County	<a href="#">Emergency Mgt Volunteer</a>	Contact for Details	Contact for details	Opportunity to help further JoCo Emergency Management's mission of building a better prepared, more resilient community. May include assisting at community events and during disasters.
Fire/EMS	Leawood	<a href="#">Ride Alongs</a>	Contact for Details	Contact for details	Public and Johnson County Fire Academy participants can do Ride Alongs with Leawood Fire personnel. Email <a href="mailto:HumanResources@Leawood.org">HumanResources@Leawood.org</a> to request more information.
Fire/EMS	Lenexa	<a href="#">Citizen Academy</a>	Age 18+	Live or work in Lenexa; Have no significant criminal record	Provides an in-depth understanding of the role we serve in the community. Participants will learn about the responsibilities of the four divisions of the fire department (administration, professional development, fire prevention, and operations) through classroom settings, technical demonstrations, and participation in task-based scenarios.
Fire/EMS	Olathe	<a href="#">Fire Explorer Program</a>	Ages 14 - 20	N/A	Six-month program (meeting every 2 weeks) to learn about the Olathe Fire Department and prepare themselves for a career in the fire services. Instruction includes emergency operations, fire tactics, emergency medical services, and public education.
Fire/EMS	Overland Park	<a href="#">Fire Explorer Program</a>	Ages 14 to 19	N/A	Opportunity to learn the ins and outs of fire service, and for the city to invest in future talent.
Human Services	Johnson County	<a href="#">Volunteers</a>	Varies	Varies	Various volunteer programs to support aging and vulnerable populations
Human Services	Kansas City, MO	<a href="#">Health Depart. Intern</a>	Varies	N/A	Various Health Department Internships with the KC Health Department
Law Enforcement	Shawnee	<a href="#">Camp</a>	Ages 10 to 15	N/A	Get a little more in depth and learn what is behind the science of investigating a criminal scene. Use your skills to solve a mock crime scene using fingerprint dusting and footprint molding.
Law Enforcement	Shawnee	<a href="#">Citizens Academy</a>	Age 18+	Must live or work in the City of Shawnee	Participants in the academy will meet and interact with officers and see how the members of the Shawnee Police Department work to maintain a safe community.
Law Enforcement	Kansas City, MO	<a href="#">Auxiliary Services</a>	Age 18+	N/A	The Auxiliary Service Volunteer Program is designed to increase community involvement with the department. Volunteers have an opportunity to assist the department for civic, charitable or humanitarian reasons.
Law Enforcement	Kansas City, MO	<a href="#">Explorer Program</a>	Ages 14 to 20	Must be a KCMO resident	Working alongside veteran police officers, youth Explorers meet twice a month with hands-on activities like field trips, special guests, behind-the-scenes tours, and basic training in police tactics.
Law Enforcement	Kansas City, MO	<a href="#">Forensic Internship</a>	College Junior or Senior	N/A	Summer internship position with the Kansas City Police Crime Laboratory.
Law Enforcement	Kansas City, MO	<a href="#">Internship</a>	Varies	N/A	Various internships in all aspects of Law Enforcement

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Law Enforcement	Kansas City, MO	<a href="#">Summer Youth Academy</a>	Ages 12 to 15	Preference to KCMO residents	Three one-week programs each summer for students to explore law enforcement.
Law Enforcement	Leawood	<a href="#">Citizen Academy</a>	Age 18+	Live or work in Leawood	The Leawood Citizen's Police Academy provides citizens the opportunity to experience first-hand what it's like to be a Leawood Police Officer. For 10 weeks, participants will learn about the police department and, through a variety of practical exercises, be able to see for themselves what being a police officer is like.
Law Enforcement	Lee's Summit	<a href="#">Junior Police Academy</a>	Ages 12 to 14	Attend Lee's Summit R-7 School District <u>or</u> live in Lee's Summit.	The Lee's Summit Junior Police Academy is a week-long program structured to simulate a professional Police Academy experience for youth.
Law Enforcement	Lenexa	<a href="#">Crime Analysis Internship</a>	18+	Enrolled in college (pursuing any degree), entering into Junior or Senior Year	The paid Crime Analysis internship program allows students the opportunity for practical, hands-on experience in the field of law enforcement. Interns will assist in supporting patrol and investigative efforts by supplying tactical analysis utilizing temporal and spatial analysis as well as gaining experience in administrative, strategic and operational analysis.
Law Enforcement	Lenexa	<a href="#">Police Intern</a>	Ages 18+	Entering into Junior or Senior Year (pursuing any degree)	Police Intern during the Summer
Law Enforcement	Lenexa	<a href="#">Youth Police Academy</a>	Ages 13 to 17	Live or attend school in Lenexa; <b>or</b> have parent or grandparent or guardian living or working in Lenexa.	One-week summer program, offered two times each year, for teens that teach students about law enforcement, its challenges and the philosophy of teamwork.
Law Enforcement	Liberty	<a href="#">Junior Police Academy</a>	7th & 8th grades	Must be students within the Liberty School District.	The program is designed to motivate young people to be outstanding citizens and to empower them to act as a positive influence in their community. It blends classroom learning with hands on activities to expose Junior Cadets to a variety of topics.
Law Enforcement	Miami County	<a href="#">Youth Program</a>	Ages 14 to 21	N/A	The program gives explorers the chance to learn and participate in the everyday duties of the Miami County Sheriff's Office as well as assist in public relations functions benefiting the community.
Law Enforcement	Olathe	<a href="#">Police Dept. Internship</a>	Ages 18+	See website	College students can participate in a volunteer college-credited internship program with the Olathe Police Department (OPD) during fall, spring and summer semesters.
Law Enforcement	Olathe	<a href="#">Police Explorer Program</a>	Ages 14 to 20	Completed 8th grade & maintain a "C" average. NOT required to live in Olathe.	Program designed to provide challenging knowledge and training for young people interested in a law enforcement career. The Explorers are given the opportunity to perform various police tasks while not being placed in dangerous situations.
Law Enforcement	Overland Park	<a href="#">Police Dept. Internship</a>	Age 18+	High school diploma, GED, or equivalent; Enrolled in college or university.	Internship program designed to allow college students an opportunity to observe police department operations, learn more about the law enforcement environment and be mentored by trained professionals.
Law Enforcement	Overland Park	<a href="#">Police Explorer Program</a>	Ages 14 to 20 (and 8th Grade complete)	GPA of 2.0+; completed 8th grade; clear criminal record; valid driver's license or permit.	Police officers serve as Explorer advisers who oversee the program.

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Law Enforcement	Prairie Village	<a href="#">Youth Police Academy</a>	Age 14+	Preference to Prairie Village residents, but open to anyone.	Training on Police Department Operations to include: patrol vehicles and operations, critical incident response team tools and demos, use of force scenarios, controlling combative subjects, and traffic operations and mock traffic stops.
Law Enforcement	Shawnee	<a href="#">Youth Academy</a>	Ages 13 to 17	Live or attend school in Shawnee; <b>or</b> have parent or grandparent or guardian lives or works in Shawnee	The Shawnee Police Youth Academy is a week-long summer camp. It's a fun, interactive learning experience designed to teach students about law enforcement and to build relationships between police officers and young adults.
Law Enforcement	Unified Government of WyCo/KCK	<a href="#">Police Athletic League</a>	Age 10+	N/A	The Police Athletic League offers youth an opportunity to interact with police officers in a positive setting while participating in academic, cultural, mentoring and sports programs.
Law Enforcement	Unified Government of WyCo/KCK	<a href="#">Summer Cadet Program</a>	Ages 16 to 19	Must be a US Citizen and a Wyandotte County resident	Program teaches skills such as customer service, work ethic, clerical skills, and community engagement. Duties might include providing assistance in youth programs, community outreach, attending neighborhood watch meetings, attending business district anti-crime meetings, , and participating in community policing programs.
Parks	Olathe	<a href="#">Library Volunteer</a>	Age 13+	N/A	Volunteer jobs including Teen Department, Materials Shelves, Holds Assistant, Book Sale Volunteers, Library to Library Volunteers. Scholarship opportunity for teens who complete 100+ hours.
Parks & Recreation	Johnson County	<a href="#">Volunteer</a>	Age 13+	N/A	Library Fundraising Volunteer
Parks and Recreation	Clay County	<a href="#">Volunteer</a>	N/A	N/A	Nature Center Volunteer
Parks and Recreation	Jackson County	<a href="#">Seasonal/Temp</a>	Age 16+	Must have valid driver's license	Concession workers, Ballfield Crew
Parks and Recreation	Jackson County	<a href="#">Volunteer</a>	N/A	N/A	Volunteer opportunities for everyone, from Adopt-A-Programs to historic sites, recreation, special populations, golf course, lakes and more!
Parks and Recreation	Johnson County	<a href="#">Museum Volunteer</a>	Varies	N/A	Opportunities to assist with museum programming, special events, docent-led exhibit tours, visitor services, and behind the scenes work. Contact <a href="mailto:HumanResources@Leawood.org">HumanResources@Leawood.org</a> to request more information.
Parks and Recreation	Johnson County	<a href="#">Parks and Recreation Volunteer</a>	Varies	N/A	Volunteer options in a variety of Parks & Recreation areas.
Parks and Recreation	Kansas City, MO	<a href="#">Volunteer</a>	Age 18+ (or under 18 with parental consent)	N/A	Various one-time and ongoing volunteer opportunities
Parks and Recreation	Leawood	<a href="#">Cultural Arts Intern</a>	College Junior or Senior Year	General interest in the Arts	Cultural Arts Intern (one during Summer/Fall and one during Spring/Summer) helps with Stage Company theatre productions, music productions, cultural art events)
Parks and Recreation	Leawood	<a href="#">Marketing Intern</a>	College level	General interest in the Arts	Works with the Recreation Admin Services Marketing Director on marketing the Parks, Recreation and Cultural Arts Events and Programs. Contact <a href="mailto:HumanResources@Leawood.org">HumanResources@Leawood.org</a> for to request more information.
Parks and Recreation	Leawood	<a href="#">Oxford School Docent</a>	College Level	General interest in the Arts	Works at the Historical School House and helps put on history type events for school children during the spring/summer. Contact <a href="mailto:HumanResources@Leawood.org">HumanResources@Leawood.org</a> to request more information.

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<b>Parks and Recreation</b>	Leawood	<a href="#">Seasonal/Temp</a>	Age 18+	N/A	Seasonal Parks Maintenance Worker (on Turf Maintenance or Horticulture crew) to allow experience and introduce to the Parks Maintenance career. Contact <a href="mailto:HumanResources@Leawood.org">HumanResources@Leawood.org</a> to request more information.
<b>Parks and Recreation</b>	Lenexa	<a href="#">Volunteer</a>	N/A	N/A	Various volunteer programs within Parks and Recreation
<b>Parks and Recreation</b>	Olathe	<a href="#">Volunteers in the Park</a>	N/A	N/A	Volunteers opportunities such as picking up trash, adopting a park or trail, painting park equipment or accessories, landscaping or gardening, and improving habitat for fish and wild life.
<b>Parks and Recreation</b>	Platte County	<a href="#">Volunteer</a>	N/A	N/A	Various opportunities to perform volunteer services in Platte County parks
<b>Public Works</b>	Jackson County	<a href="#">Seasonal/Temp</a>	HS Grad	Must have driver's license; Working towards Associates degree in Engineering and CADD skills desired.	Assists with the inspection of County infrastructure and special projects. Must be able to read road maps. Requires taking accurate measurements using tape measures and other equipment
<b>Public Works</b>	Leawood	<a href="#">Engineering Intern</a>	College Junior or Senior Year	Must be pursuing an engineering degree	Works with the Project Engineers and Construction Inspectors. Contact <a href="mailto:HumanResources@Leawood.org">HumanResources@Leawood.org</a> to request more information.
<b>Public Works</b>	Leawood	<a href="#">GIS Intern</a>	College Junior or Senior Year	Must be pursuing GIS/earth science degree	Internship working with Leawood Public Works Maintenance Department; assist with tracking activities and using GIS programs. Email <a href="mailto:HumanResources@Leawood.org">HumanResources@Leawood.org</a> for more information.
<b>Various</b>	Olathe	<a href="#">Intern Program</a>	Age 18+	Summer Internships	Opportunity to earn hands on experience as an Intern in your area of interest such as Communications, Engineering, Laboratory, HR, Parks & Rec, and Library.
<b>Various</b>	Olathe	<a href="#">Teen Jobs</a>	Age 15+	Seasonal Jobs	Employment Opportunities in your area of interest such as Lifeguard, Swim Instructor, Kids Crew Leader, Youth Sports Official, Day Camp Counselor, Party Room Hosts and Library.
<b>Various</b>	Shawnee	<a href="#">Volunteer</a>	Varies	N/A	Various volunteer opportunities ranging from trash pick-up to yard maintenance to snow removal to helping in one of the City departments.
<b>Various</b>	Kansas City, MO	<a href="#">Summer Internships</a>	Contact for Details	Contact for details	The City of Kansas City, MO partners with HireKC to hire teens during the summer for a variety of City departments.