

Personal Statement

I have been interested in government since elementary school, but my passion really took off in high school and during my first year at Mizzou. After taking an economics class freshman year, I became fascinated by how economics and political science work hand in hand, as my professor explained. I also discovered a strong interest in law, which is something I am seriously considering for my career. I am interested in CLIP because I want to be exposed to both the government system and its legal applications, while also gaining valuable work experience.

From this internship, I hope to gain knowledge about how the government operates, particularly the legal aspects and structure of state and federal systems. I want to apply what I've learned in my classes to real situations. For example, I want to see how bills are created and passed, and how someone can take action to make real change in government. I also want hands-on experience that I can apply to future job opportunities. Additionally, I would like to network and build relationships within the government field, getting to know the people who make laws and bills in Missouri.

I bring commitment, passion for government, and practical skills to this position. My experience as a cashier has taught me how to work with people effectively and handle various customer situations, which developed my communication and problem-solving abilities. I have taken many political science and law classes as an undergraduate, so I understand basic political systems and processes. I am also thrifty and adaptive, which helps me work well with others and handle unexpected challenges. I like to stay organized and follow a routine, but I can quickly adapt when problems arise. As an Eagle Scout, I learned dedication and leadership, and my volunteer work with Truman's Closet demonstrates my commitment to serving the community. I am persistent, consistent, and ready to contribute meaningfully to the work.

This program will help me build the relationships and experience I need to succeed in the law field. I hope to gain valuable skills that will help me secure higher-level positions after graduation. My career goals include attending law school and eventually working in government or business law. Through CLIP, I want to develop a strong foundation for these goals while making a positive impact. I hope to effectively help those I work for achieve their goals and contribute to the community and the state of Missouri.

I am excited about the opportunity to bring my skills and dedication to CLIP while gaining the experience and connections that will strengthen my future career. I am ready to work hard, learn as much as possible, and contribute to meaningful work. Thank you for considering my application, and I look forward to the possibility of being part of this program.