



**State of New Jersey  
Board of Public Utilities  
Trenton, New Jersey**

**Paid Internship Opportunity**

**Posting # 11-2019**

**Division:** Office of the Economist

**Number of Positions:** One (1)

**Salary:** \$15.00 per hour

**Work Hours:** 30 hours per week

**General Unit Description:** The Office of The Chief Economist advises the board on policy issues and financial matters affecting regulated utilities. It is responsible for analyzing and recommending action on cost-of-capital issues in traditional rate cases, evaluating utility requests to sell securities and assessing utility merger and acquisition proposals. The office works with other divisions to evaluate how proposed alternatives to traditional rate base/rate-of-return regulation could impact ratepayers. It also evaluates a utility's financial structure and ability to fulfill regulatory obligations. The Office also conducts and assists with benefit-cost analysis and evaluation of clean energy policy and projects and Board rulemaking.

**Project Description:** The Office of the Economist is seeking a summer intern. The intern will have the opportunity to work with the Chief Economist and his staff to learn and develop an understanding of our role in utility regulation. Tasks may include:

- The Intern will report to the Chief Economist in the Office of the Economist at the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities (NJBPU).
- Will work closely with Division Staff to assist the Board on a broad spectrum of economic, financial, strategic and regulatory issues.
- Assist staff to help insure that utilities employ resources in an effective and efficient manner.
- Performs research, data collection and analysis on topics as needed.
- Prepares statistical, financial and other reports containing findings, conclusions and recommendations on special projects and issues.
- Researches financial reports, statutes, economic/financial/trade press and journals.
- Obtains and analyzes information from utilities.
- Reviews regulatory and technical journals and secures information from other state and federal agencies.

- Has knowledge of most major software packages.
- As assigned, attends hearings and meetings.

**Internship Learning Objectives/Marketable Skills:** The Office of the Economist Intern(s) will gain insight into the structure of utility regulation. This would include research and litigation activities related to economic and financial issues that come before the board.

**Education/Experience:** Recent graduates or current students with at least 1-2 years of college experience in accounting, economics, finance, business management, or engineering from an accredited college or university. Strong writing and editing skills required. BPU will work with an educational institution's cooperative education office to enable students to obtain college credit upon request.

**Estimated Project Duration and Work Schedule:** Summer session, Monday – Thursday 9:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. The BPU requires that interns work a minimum of 10 weeks. In addition, the Summer 2019 internship program will run from June 3, 2019 through August 16, 2019. An extension through the end of August and/or into the Fall 2019 semester will be taken into consideration.

**To Apply:** Please submit the following to [humanresources@bpu.nj.gov](mailto:humanresources@bpu.nj.gov) by April 15, 2019: resume; brief writing sample; most recent transcript (unofficial copy acceptable); and three references (name and phone number for either professional or educational contacts).