

Karl Grindal

Education

Georgetown University Public Policy Institute, Washington, D.C. Expected May 2011
Prospective Masters in Public Policy, Concentration in Technology Policy
Coursework includes: Advanced Regression, Microeconomics, GIS, and Technology Policy

Wesleyan University, Middletown CT May 2009
Bachelor of Arts in Government, Certificate in International Relations; GPA 3.23/4.0

Relevant Experience

Free Press, Intern Spring 2010 - Present

- Summarize arguments in Public Comments to the FCC on Net Neutrality and other issues
- Organize constituent comments on Comcast/NBC merger for Congressmen for hearing
- Update database of contact information for legislative assistants

Center for Diagnostic Imaging (CDI), Policy Intern Summer 2009

- Researched healthcare policy, wrote memos for CDI Executive Director and wrote policy recommendation letters to Congressmen
- Setup charity-care, non-profit organization Imaging for a Cause Foundation by registering with states
- Developed an original website using WordPress and HTML for the Imaging for a Cause Foundation and continue to serve as the webmaster

The Humphrey Institute of Public Policy at the University of Minnesota, Intern Summer 2008

- Conducted research for Steve Kelley the Director of the Center for Science, Technology and Public Policy on science education and telecommunications policy
- Wrote blog articles summarizing public policy research papers in biotech
- Helped coordinate conference on Green Chemistry and The Future of Ethanol

Office of Senator Klobuchar, Capital Intern Summer 2007

- Summarized congressional hearings, gathered information and researched policies for Legislative Assistants on Economics and Education
- Provided constituent services, managed the front desk, and led capital tours

Klobuchar for Senate Campaign, Policy Intern Summer 2006

- Researched the opposition, interest groups, and issues to provide summary memos
- Transcribed debates and speeches on the campaign trail
- Assisted at Campaign events

Leadership Experience

Wesleyan Office of Student Activities, Leadership Intern Fall 2008 - Spring 2009

- Facilitated regular dialogue with student leaders about campus culture and club development
- Organized conference on Social Justice and Student Leadership

College Democrats of Connecticut, President Summer 2008 - Spring 2009

- Coordinated twelve chapters of college Democrats to expand student turnout in elections
- Represented the organization in interactions with the College Democrats of America, state Democratic Party, and media
- Advocated for progressive issues in the state legislature and advised chapters on their own advocacy

College Democrats of America, Policy Council Fall 2008 - Spring 2009

- Worked to develop relationships with other policy focused student organizations.
- Engaged members to take action on issues that affect higher education

Assistant Speech Coach for Minnehaha Academy Winter 2006 - Winter 2009

- Helped students in Minnesota prepare for forensic competition during winter breaks
- Trained students with a focus on extemporaneous speaking, targeting content and delivery

Connecticut Students for Barack Obama, Co-Director Fall 2008

- Organized five state chapters of the official youth arm of the Obama campaign
- Coordinated activities with the College Democrats and provided groups with resources

Wesleyan College Democrats, President Spring 2008

- Supported democratic campaigns and advocated for students within the Democratic Party
- Successfully raised over \$1,000 dollars for the club in one day with strategic fundraising
- Led statewide student initiative on the issue of Election Day Voter Registration

Skills

Computer Skills:

Proficient: SAS/STATA, ArcGIS, Microsoft Office Suite, WordPress, social networking platforms
Basic: HTML, CSS, Adobe Photoshop and Illustrator, Drupal, LaTeX

Language:

Spanish (Intermediate)