To: Hispanic Students at New Jersey Institutions of Higher Education  
From: Cecilia Williams, Assistant Director of Communications  
Date: November 3, 2023  
Subject: Summer 2024 Applications: Governor’s Hispanic Fellows Program

The New Jersey Center for Hispanic Policy, Research, and Development (CHPRD) on October 12, 2023 announced the commencement of applications for the esteemed 2024 Governor's Hispanic Fellows Program.

The Fellows Program is an eight (8) week paid summer internship experience for Hispanic college students, which has offered quality opportunities geared towards leadership and professional development for over 36 years, since 1988.

Fellows work in a government, corporate or non-profit setting, and participate in leadership training seminars conducted by a team comprised of the Center’s staff, HISPA’s staff, government officials, business professionals and/or current or former elected officials who are experts in their respective fields.

To be eligible, applicants must meet the following criteria:

- Be a resident of New Jersey
- Be of Hispanic descent
- Be enrolled in a 2 or 4-year college or university program
- Be a U.S. Citizen or Legal Permanent Resident

The application deadline is Friday, December 8, 2023. Applications can be found attached to this broadcast and at: https://www.nj.gov/state/assets/pdf/chprd/2024-GHFP-student-application.pdf

For more information about the 2024 Governor's Hispanic Fellows Program and the application process, please visit CHPRD.NJ.GOV or contact at chprd@sos.nj.gov.
Governor’s Hispanic Fellows Program
May 30, 2024 – July 31, 2024

2024 Student Application

The Governor’s Hispanic Fellows Program is an eight (8) weeks summer program geared towards leadership and professional development, which has offered quality internship experiences to Hispanic college students since 1988. The fellows work in a government, corporate or non-profit setting, and participate in leadership training seminars conducted by a team comprised of the Center’s staff, HISPA’s staff, government officials, business professionals and/or current or former elected officials who are experts in their respective fields. Each fellow gains knowledge and understanding of government and corporate culture, networking, and public policy engagement.

Application Guidelines

• Faxed applications are not accepted.
• Deadline to apply is Friday, December 8, 2023
• Please note: It is the applicant’s responsibility to notify the New Jersey Center for Hispanic Policy, Research and Development (CHPRD) of permanent address, email address, or phone number changes during the interview, selection, and/or notification process.
• Applicants taking academic courses during normal business days from May 30, 2024 through July 31, 2024, will not be considered.
• Applicants planning vacation or leave time between May 30, 2024 through July 31, 2024, will not be considered.
• Candidates seeking credit for his/her participation must arrange with the College/University’s cooperative education or internship department.
• All sections must be completely filled out.
Governor’s Hispanic Fellows Program
June 3, 2024 – July 31, 2024

2024 Student Application

Program Requirements

- Resident of New Jersey
- Of Hispanic descent
- Enrolled in a 2- or 4-year college/university program
- U.S. Citizen or Legal Permanent Resident

All applicants are required to submit the following:

- Clear copy of a Photo I.D.
- Personal Statement
  - Please use separate sheet.
  - It must be no more than 300 words, typed, font 12, double-spaced and make use of MLA guidelines.
- One Letter of Recommendation
- Official transcript
- Essay Question
  - Please respond to the essay question using a separate sheet.
  - It must be no more than 700 words, typed, font 12, double-spaced and make use of MLA guidelines.
- Resume must include:
  - Employment history
  - Community service experience
  - Honors or awards
  - Computer skills
  - Extracurricular activities
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Essay Question – please use separate sheet

Hispanics are the largest growing population in New Jersey. Please discuss some of the barriers Hispanics face today and provide suggestions on how you could play a role in overcoming these barriers in your professional career?
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2024 Student Application

Email Application To:

Email to: chprd@sos.nj.gov

Deadline is Friday, December 8, 2023

Any questions, please contact Miranda Miranda at: maria.miranda@sos.nj.gov
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2024 Student Application

Student Information

Name: ____________________________

School Address: __________________

City: __________________ State: _______ Zip: ____________

E-mail Address: ____________________

Permanent Mailing

Address: __________________________

City: __________________ State: _______ Zip: ____________

Home Number: ____________________  Cellular Number: ________

Other Contact Number: ______________

Emergency Contact

Name and Relationship: ______________

Address: __________________________

City: __________________ State: _______ Zip: ____________

Work Number: ____________________  Home Number: ________  Cellular Number: ________
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Education Information

College/University: ________________________________

Major/Minor: ________________________________

GPA: ________________________________

Current Class:

☒ Freshmen  ☐ Sophomore  ☐ Junior  ☐ Senior  ☐ Graduate Student

Please respond to the following questions:

How did you learn about the program?

☐ Community Based Organization  ☐ Alumni  ☐ Family/Friend

☐ College Fair  ☐ Website  ☐ College/University

☐ Other: ________________________________

Do you have your own transportation?  _____ Yes  _____ No

If not, will you have any issues with transportation for your required fellowship locations?  _____ Yes  _____ No
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Please identify your Hispanic ancestry. Check more than one if applicable: 
Please note this is solely for demographical purposes.

- [ ] Argentinean
- [ ] Bolivian
- [ ] Chilean
- [ ] Colombian
- [ ] Costa Rican
- [ ] Cuban
- [ ] Dominican
- [ ] Ecuadorian
- [ ] Guatemalan
- [ ] Honduran
- [ ] Mexican
- [ ] Nicaraguan
- [ ] Panamanian
- [ ] Paraguayan
- [ ] Peruvian
- [ ] Puerto Rican
- [ ] Salvadorian
- [ ] Spanish
- [ ] Uruguayan
- [ ] Uruguayan
- [ ] Venezuelan
- [ ] Other _________________________

Is applicant fluent in Spanish?  [ ] Yes  [ ] No  
If Yes,  [ ] Speak  [ ] Read  [ ] Write

Please add any interest(s) that may assist the New Jersey Center for Hispanic Policy, Research and Development in identifying the best employment site for you. *(Use separate sheet if needed)*
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I have read all of the information pertaining to the intern/fellowship program and, if accepted by the New Jersey Center for Hispanic Policy, Research and Development, I agree to honor my commitment and meet the following criteria:

The 2024 Governor’s Hispanic Fellows Program will begin on May 30, 2024 and end on July 28, 2023.

❖ Throughout the eight weeks, interns will report to their job placement sites: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday.

On Wednesdays, interns are required to attend in-person the Leadership Workshop Series of the Fellows Program. Attendance is mandatory.
❖ A total of $450 will be deducted each day a leadership session is missed.

Students must work no more than 28 hours weekly at their intern placement site (we understand that hours may vary depending on site) and attend weekly training sessions that are each up to eight (8) hours in duration.
❖ Vacation time is not allowed during the eight weeks.

❖ All interns selected must complete all institute assignments and projects, which include completion of Professional Team presentation.

I confirm information given above is complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge. I am aware that any misrepresentation will result in the disqualification of my application. I also agree that if selected, the CHPRD and the NJ Department of State can use my statements in its promotional literature.

Signature  Date