Building a Federal Library Internship Program in Your Agency

Establishing a practical work experience for federal library interns benefits both the agency and students looking for practical work experience. While developing a federal intern program can be challenging, there are options and examples available from a variety of federal agencies. With an understanding of what rules and regulations you need to follow the rules and a combination of new ideas and approaches, your library can create and benefit from rewarding professional development opportunities for future librarians.

Join your colleagues for a morning discussion of the basic regulations, best practices from current intern programs, and innovation in designing a program that will work best with your organization.

Agenda

9:30-10:15  Session 1—Legal Aspects of an Intern Program—Meg Williams (LC)
10:15-10:45 Session 2—Tricks and Tips on Running an Intern Program—Bridget Gilhool and Jennifer McMahan (Justice)
10:45-11:00 Break
11:00 – 11:30 Session 3 -- Volunteer Work Experience Programs for Individuals with Disabilities—Erik Eldritch (LC)
11:30-12:00 Session 4—Virtual Interns - Nancy Faget (Army Research Library)