



City of Detroit
Office of the Deputy Mayor for
Economic Policy, Planning & Strategy

SUMMER INTERNSHIPS 2016

City of Detroit: Deputy Mayor for Economic Policy

The mission of the Deputy Mayor's office is to harness the data and analytic skills in City government to a long-run focus on revenue sustainability. There is a clear need to improve compliance with the City's income tax – its single largest revenue. Increased revenue performance is necessary to improve services to citizens and to reinforce the economic recovery of Detroit. While the State of Michigan will process and collect the City's individual income taxes beginning with tax year 2015, it will do so in cooperation with the City's Finance Department which retains responsibility for prior years.

Over a 10-12 week residency, students will participate in improving and expanding tax compliance programs and learn essentials about the city's tax base. Some examples:

- Improving the database of employers and workers in the City.
- Updating and mapping residency information, including downtown and midtown apartment buildings, to focus compliance efforts.
- Analyzing data to identify businesses not accurately reporting Detroit activities.
- Comparing 2015 income tax receipts to receipts in 2014 and 2013.
- Supporting City staff in intergovernmental liaison with State counterparts.

We are looking for students with policy analysis skills, a love of data, and the motivation, curiosity and diligence to commit to the success of Mayor Duggan's vision for a renewed Detroit. We provide a place for *great real-world experience*.

Interested students should submit a resume and cover letter, citing particular interests or skills

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Transportation to Detroit, lodging and expenses are the responsibility of the student. Interns are encouraged to apply for unpaid internship funding through their schools.