

# Kansas Legislative Intern Program Intern Evaluation

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Caucus: \_\_\_\_\_

## Administration

1. Application Process.  
 Efficient                       Good                       Fair                       Bureaucratic
2. Intern Orientation.  
 Very Useful                       Somewhat Useful                       Not Useful
3. Intern Handbook.  
 Very Helpful    Somewhat Helpful                       Not Helpful
4. Did you ever approach your intern coordinator for assistance? \_\_\_\_\_  
How helpful were they?  
 Very Helpful    Somewhat Helpful                       Not Helpful                       N/A
5. Assignment/Match with a Legislator.  
 Excellent                       Good                       Fair                       Poor

## Internship Involvement

6. Please estimate the percentage of time you spent on the items below during your internship:

- \_\_\_\_\_ Constituent correspondence
  - \_\_\_\_\_ Office work (filing, phones, etc.)
  - \_\_\_\_\_ Committee meetings
  - \_\_\_\_\_ Caucus meetings
  - \_\_\_\_\_ Legislative research
  - \_\_\_\_\_ Newsletter preparation
  - \_\_\_\_\_ Press releases
  - \_\_\_\_\_ Attending floor debate / proceedings
  - \_\_\_\_\_ Offsite work
  - \_\_\_\_\_ Social events (Receptions, legislative events, etc.)
  - \_\_\_\_\_ Other (Specify: \_\_\_\_\_)
  - \_\_\_\_\_ Writing your policy proposal
- 100 % Total

7. Please check all tasks and expectations you feel confident you were able to complete:

- \_\_\_ Write a bill brief.
- \_\_\_ Write constituent correspondence.
- \_\_\_ Write a press release.
- \_\_\_ Aid constituents in casework (negotiate state agencies).
- \_\_\_ Track legislation.
- \_\_\_ Understand the basics of floor debate and voting.
- \_\_\_ Understand General Orders and the Committee of the Whole.
- \_\_\_ Understand the committee process (procedural and strategic).
- \_\_\_ Develop a policy proposal.
- \_\_\_ Understand key points of the School Finance legislation/debate.
- \_\_\_ Describe and understand the governmental relationship between various officers (Governor, Attorney General, Speaker of the House, etc.)
- \_\_\_ Understand the Legislative Calendar and how it impacts legislative development.
- \_\_\_ [circle applicable issues] Be familiar with key tenants of state laws regarding agriculture, alcohol (direct shipments, taxation), education finance, eminent domain, gaming, health care (Medicaid), insurance, and taxes.

**Legislator Involvement**

08. Orientation - legislator helped acquaint you to his/her legislative district and chamber, relevant staff members and the legislative process.

- Excellent                       Good                                       Fair     Poor

09. Did you and your legislature establish goals for you at the beginning of the session? \_\_\_\_\_  
What were these goals?

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Did you accomplish them? In what activities or daily processes did you engage to accomplish them?

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10. How would you rank your legislator as a mentor—provided you with guidance, allowed time for personal discussion, and gave you the opportunity for a good learning experience?

- Excellent                       Good                                       Fair     Poor

**Overall Experience**

11. Did your internship provide you with a balanced involvement in the legislative process?

- Yes                       Partly                       No

12. What were the most challenging aspects of being an intern for the Kansas Legislature?

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13. Would you recommend the Kansas Legislative Intern Program?

- Yes                       No                       Depends on \_\_\_\_\_

14. In what specific ways did you find the workings of the legislature to be different from the textbook knowledge you had previously about government?

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15. Did you find the internship facilitated your academic studies of government? \_\_\_\_\_