



Organization

J Street is the political home for pro-Israel, pro-peace Americans. The organization gives political voice to mainstream American Jews and other supporters of Israel who, informed by their progressive and Jewish values, believe that a two-state solution to the Israeli-Palestinian conflict is essential to Israel's survival as the national home of the Jewish people and as a vibrant democracy. J Street's mission is two-fold: first, to advocate for urgent American diplomatic leadership to achieve a two-state solution and a broader regional, comprehensive peace and, second, to ensure a broad debate on Israel and the Middle East in national politics and the American Jewish community.

J Street represents Americans, primarily but not exclusively Jewish, who support Israel and its desire for security as the Jewish homeland, as well as the right of the Palestinians to a sovereign state of their own – two states living side-by-side in peace and security. We believe ending the Israeli-Palestinian conflict is in the best interests of Israel, the United States, the Palestinians, and the region as a whole.

J Street supports diplomatic solutions over military ones, including in Iran; multilateral over unilateral approaches to conflict resolution; and dialogue over confrontation with a wide range of countries and actors when conflicts do arise. For more on our policy positions, visit: www.jstreet.org/issues.

J Street advocates forcefully in the policy process, in Congress, in the media, and in the Jewish community to make sure public officials and community leaders clearly see the depth and breadth of support for our views on Middle East policy among voters and supporters in their states and districts. We seek to complement the work of existing organizations and individuals that share our agenda. In our lobbying and advocacy efforts, we enlist individual supporters of other efforts as partners.

The J Street family of organizations includes J Street – a 501(c)(4) non-profit which is responsible for lobbying and advocacy; JStreetPAC – a federal political action committee that endorses and raises money for federal candidates who support active American leadership to bring peace and security to Israel and the Middle East; and the J Street Education Fund – a 501(c)(3) that aims to educate communities about the need for a two-state solution to the Israeli-Palestinian conflict and promote open, dynamic and spirited conversation about how to best advance the interests and future of a democratic, Jewish Israel. J Street Local, J Street's national field program and J Street U, J Street's campus movement are programs of the J Street Education Fund.

Currently, J Street has internship openings for the Fall 2011 Semester in Washington D.C., Philadelphia, New York City, Boston, Chicago, San Francisco and Los Angeles.

Position Title: Southern California J Street Political and Community Organizer- Intern
Reports to: Southern California Political Director
Start Date: Immediately
Location: Los Angeles

Position

J Street is seeking an undergraduate student or recent graduate to intern in our Los Angeles office immediately. This internship is an excellent opportunity to better understand and get involved in J Street's work. There will be a heavy focus on fundraising and political outreach. This is a great opportunity for someone who wants to learn about the development side of an organization. Interns will have the opportunity to participate in J Street events, work closely with J Street staff, give feedback, and plan events. It is also encouraged that interns participate in J Street U chapters on their campuses.

Applicants should have:

- Excellent writing and oral communication skills
- An ability to work independently and stay well organized
- An understanding of and commitment to the J Street mission
- Some knowledge of our issue area is preferred

Primary responsibilities will include, but are not limited to assisting national staff on assorted administrative, clerical, research and programmatic tasks and projects.

Compensation and Time Commitment

This is an unpaid full or part-time internship.

Applicants must be available to work 2-3 days/week throughout the semester, for a total of at least 14-16 hours/week in our LA office.

Applicants should send a resume and a cover letter expressing why they would like to intern for J Street to amos@jstreet.org. Applicants are considered on a rolling basis.