

2025 Summer Internship Program: Communications

About CNE

The Center for a New Economy (CNE) is Puerto Rico's first and foremost policy think tank, an independent, nonpartisan group that advocates for Puerto Rico's economic development. For more than 25 years, CNE has championed the cause of a more productive and stable Puerto Rico. We seek to inform current policy debates and identify solutions to today's most pressing and complex economic development problems by rigorously analyzing hard data and producing robust empirical research. CNE is organized as a 501(c)(3) nonprofit corporation, and it does not solicit or accept government funding. It relies solely on funding from individuals, private institutions, and philanthropic organizations.

Why intern with CNE?

This internship offers hands-on experience in communications, focusing on critical social and economic issues. CNE is known for its capacity to combine rigorous analysis with effective communications that enables policymakers and the media to make use of its work. The communications team seeks to inform policy debates by disseminating CNE reports and analyses to the media. This is an excellent opportunity for journalism, communications, digital communications, public policy or economics students to apply their knowledge, learn new skills and build professional experience.

Program details

- Who: Undergraduate or graduate students in communications, digital communications journalism, social sciences, public policy, or related fields
- Duration: 6 weeks, from June 9 to July 18, 2025
- Hours: 15-20 hours per week (during business hours)
- Format: For academic credit
- Location: San Juan in person, remote/hybrid options may be available

What you'll do

- Draft social media posts and event announcements
- Research and identify relevant media targets and update media lists to reflect editorial staff and beat changes
- Monitor print and broadcast media for coverage that includes mention of projects and experts
- Support work to promote CNE's research, experts, and events
- Assist with media relations outreach activities, as appropriate
- Work closely with staff to optimize and amplify CNE's work on social media
- Assist with layout and design of official documents
- Additional tasks related to the work of the organization as needed

What we're looking for

- Interest in media work, journalism, and/or digital communications and interest in observing and learning about a wide variety of policy issues.
- The ability to synthesize technical policy papers and research studies into a clear and comprehensible format.
- Strong research skills and effective written and verbal communication skills.
- The desire to learn and take initiative. A willingness to suggest improvements and receive constructive feedback and guidance.
- Bilingual (Spanish & English)

How to apply

Submit your resume, cover letter (one page), and writing sample (two page maximum) to info@grupocne.org by March 28, 2025. Include a link to your university's internship credit requirements.

Key dates

- Application Deadline: March 28, 2025
- Decision Notification: April 25, 2025
- Internship Period: June 9 - July 18, 2025

Join us to gain real-world experience and contribute to meaningful policy work!

Additional information

CNE is an equal opportunity employer committed to fostering a diverse, inclusive, and respectful workplace. We welcome applications from all qualified individuals regardless of race, color, national origin, gender, sexual orientation, age, religion, physical or mental disability, marital status, veteran status, or other categories protected by law.