

Dear Students,

The Downey Patriot newspaper is currently looking for Summer/Fall interns for the 2009 calendar year.

Just a 20 minute drive south from Los Angeles, the newspaper covers the community of Downey and has a weekly circulation of 25,000.

The internship being offered is much more dynamic than others as students will not be "coffee fetchers" or "gophers." Instead, interns will be challenged, writing articles for the newspaper and website, applying the structure of hard news and feature stories, develop interviewing techniques, apply Associated Press writing style and be exposed to newsroom and field situations.

Writers and photographers alike are encouraged to apply. The Downey Patriot is looking for interns who have the following qualifications:

- 1.) Some course work in journalism
- 2.) A creative mind with a will to work
- 3.) The ability to take constructive criticism
- 4.) Team player who can also work with little supervision
- 5.) Responsible individuals who meet deadlines

Intern applications can be found on our website at <u>www.thedowneypatriot.com</u> under "About Us." An application can also be obtained by visiting our office at 8301 E. Florence Ave. Suite 100, Downey, CA 90240.

Along with the application, we require that you attach a writing sample if wishing to write, or photo samples if wishing to take pictures for the paper.

The deadline for filing an application is July 1, 2009.

If you have any questions, feel free to email us at the information found at the bottom of this letter. Thank you and we look forward to working with you!

Sincerely,

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About You	
Name:	Age:
Address:	
Street Address – City – ZIP	
Home Phone:	Cell Phone:
Em a il Ad d re ss:	
School:	Grade:
Please write an answer to the following question. Remember that The Downey Patriot will be looking at these answers for substance, style and composition. Why I want to be an Intem:	



What are some story ideas that I want to write about: