Position Title: Policy and Advocacy Assistant
Location: Rockville, MD
Status: Non-Exempt, 37.5 hours/week
Reports to: Senior Director of Policy and Advocacy
Department: Policy and Advocacy
Date: December 3rd, 2018

Policy & Advocacy Assistant

The American Society of Human Genetics (ASHG), the primary professional membership organization for human genetics specialists worldwide, seeks a Policy & Advocacy Assistant. This person will report to the Senior Director, Policy and Advocacy, and will help fulfill the Society’s advocacy role by helping to develop advocacy resources for members; supporting the development of policy statements; and coordinating policy and advocacy-related events and other administrative duties.

Major duties

- Assists in executing persuasive strategies to build ASHG member engagement in advocacy
- Develops member resources to facilitate member advocacy
- Coordinates policy and advocacy-related events, and the promotion of ASHG advocacy, at the Society’s Annual Meeting
- Works with Communications team to execute member communication related to advocacy and policy.
- Provides support for congressional briefings and other advocacy-related events
- Coordinates administration of the Genetics and Public Policy Fellow program
- Provides administrative support for the department and ASHG volunteer committees related to advocacy and policy.
- Other duties as assigned.

Skills required

- Excellent written communication skills
- Excellent organizational skills, attention to detail
- Ability to manage multiple projects independently, seek input when warranted, prioritize and meet deadlines
- Ability to build and maintain professional working relationships, and to work collaboratively with members and across departments with other ASHG staff
- Competency with office technology and software suites, as well as social media tools
- Professional behavior within and outside the organization
• Strong interpersonal skills and the ability to work with a team

**Education and experience**

• Bachelor’s degree required; science or public policy-related degrees a strong plus.
• 1 year of science-advocacy related paid or volunteer experience through internships, college activity, etc.
• Demonstrated interest in advancing science and health policy

**Working requirements**

• Sitting for a full work day
• Extensive use of computer keyboard, mouse and monitor
• Regular local travel to attend meetings and conferences.
• Occasional long-distance multi-day travel, including to attend ASHG’s Annual Meeting

**How to Apply**

Please send a cover letter with salary requirements, your resume and a writing sample of your choice. For a detailed job description and to submit your application, please visit: [http://www.faseb.org/employment](http://www.faseb.org/employment)

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