



Minnesota State Patrol

Internship Program



MISSION STATEMENT

The Mission of the Minnesota State Patrol (MSP) is to protect and serve all people in the state through assistance, education and enforcement; provide support to allied agencies and provide for the safe, efficient movement of traffic on Minnesota's roadways.

CORE VALUES: Respect ♦ Integrity ♦ Courage ♦ Honor ♦ Excellence

APPLICATION DEADLINES:

Fall internships: September through December
Spring internships: January through May

Deadline: Last Friday in May
Deadline: Last Friday in October

Candidates who best fit the needs of the Minnesota State Patrol will be contacted no later than 6 weeks after the application deadline.

PURPOSE OF THE INTERNSHIP:

The internship's purpose is to provide experience for university and college students who are seriously interested in entering the field of law enforcement. Qualified students will provide administrative support duties to clerical support and uniformed staff aiding in daily district operations. Students will be exposed to the day-to-day activities of an MSP Trooper and introduced to the different areas and divisions of our organization.

ELIGIBILITY:

To be considered for an internship with the Minnesota State Patrol, students must meet the following criteria:

- Must be enrolled in a class requiring an internship and/or receive course credits for internship.
- Must be attending a regionally accredited Criminal Justice and/or POST approved college or university. Applicants attending colleges which don't meet this criteria will also be considered, but preference will be given to POST accredited colleges or universities.
- Must possess a valid driver's license or have the proven ability to acquire one prior to the starting date. A clean or acceptable driving record will be required.
- Must submit to and pass a driver license/criminal history check.
- Must agree to be fingerprinted.

LENGTH AND HOURS OF INTERNSHIP:

The internship will be scheduled for one semester or one quarter, depending on the college or university with which the student is affiliated. The number of internships offered is dependent upon the needs of the agency. All internships are unpaid. Work time will be flexible Monday-Friday and weekends. The district internship supervisor will set actual hours.

APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS:

To apply for an internship with the Minnesota State Patrol, all students must provide the following:

- Cover letter outlining your career goals and why you would like to be an intern with the Minnesota State Patrol.
- Completed Minnesota State Internship Application.
- Resume indicating any specialized qualifications you have (i.e. computer, audio/visual, communications etc.)
- A letter from the college official overseeing your internship verifying that this is an authorized college/university internship program.
- A signed Ride-Along Participant Agreement Form and Ride Along Waiver of Claim Form
- A signed Driver License/Criminal History Form
- A signed Confidentiality Agreement Form

If you fail to submit a complete packet, you will not be considered for this opportunity.

Please contact Sgt. Azzahya Williams with questions regarding the MSP Internship Program at: 651.757.1921 or Azzahya.williams@state.mn.us.

Application Information/Package should be sent to:

Patricia Bennett, DPS Internship Coordinator
MN Department of Public Safety, Human Resources Division
444 Cedar Street, Suite 135
St. Paul, MN 55101-5135
Office: 651-201-7378 FAX: 651-296-5173
Email: patricia.bennett@state.mn.us



Ride-Along Participant Agreement

The Minnesota State Patrol wants your ride-along experience to be one that is mutually beneficial to you and the Patrol. As such, the following regulations have been developed to protect both you and the Trooper's safety. Adherence is mandatory, and any violation may result in the immediate termination of the ride-along.

1. Participants shall understand that they are under the direction of the Trooper with whom they are riding with at all times during the ride-along.
2. If a Trooper is called to an extremely hazardous incident (e.g., ordered to assist in riot/fight duty, to assist other law enforcement officer whose life is endangered, etc.) the participant may be delivered to a business establishment, law enforcement agency office, or other reasonable site and will notify the Radio Communications Operator of the situation.
3. By participating in a ride-along, riders shall:
 - Wear seatbelts at all times while the vehicle is in motion.
 - Dress conservatively.
 - Testify if called or subpoenaed as a witness, about any event observed while participating in the ride along program.
 - Understand that their participation in the ride along program may be terminated at any time for any reason
4. Ride-along participants shall not:
 - Be left in charge of, or alone with, arrested or detained persons;
 - Question or converse with arrested or detained persons;
 - Exit the vehicle unless instructed to do so by the Trooper;
 - Engage in photography, videography, or audio recording unless the rider is a member of the media *and* has prior approval from the District/Section Supervisor, and
 - has the citizen's explicit written approval to use the images, video, or recordings; or,
 - renders any images of persons stopped, license plates, and other readily identifiable objects indistinguishable if the citizen does not give written approval.
 - Be allowed into a residence or any other location where the occupant has a reasonable expectation of privacy without having given consent;
 - Carry a firearm or any other weapon. This includes off-duty peace officers from states other than Minnesota or those with a permit to carry a firearm. Peace officers from Minnesota may carry a firearm, but must carry proper identification;
 - Participate in an investigation or other special operation;
 - Be present during any formal interviews with criminal suspects or informants;
 - Have access to confidential materials such as criminal history;
 - Drive the patrol unit, except in an emergency, as directed by the Trooper or with approval from the District/Section Commander;
 - Participants shall not assume any police powers nor perform any police duties except as may be directed by the member in order to protect the life of the participant, the member, other employee of the State Patrol, or a third party.

Participant Acknowledgement: _____ Date: _____

If participant is a minor:

Parent/Guardian: _____

Date: _____

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As an intern, you will have access to records and information maintained at the Department of Public Safety. This information may include private and/or confidential information. Your access to this information is granted to you and authorized only for the purposes of carrying out duties assigned to you as part of your internship. By signing this document, you agree that you will not discuss, disclose or disseminate the information you obtain during your internship at the Department of Public Safety with any other individual unless you are authorized to do so. Such authorization will be provided by your supervisor.

I have read and understand this statement and agree to its terms.

(Printed Name)

(Date)

(Signature)



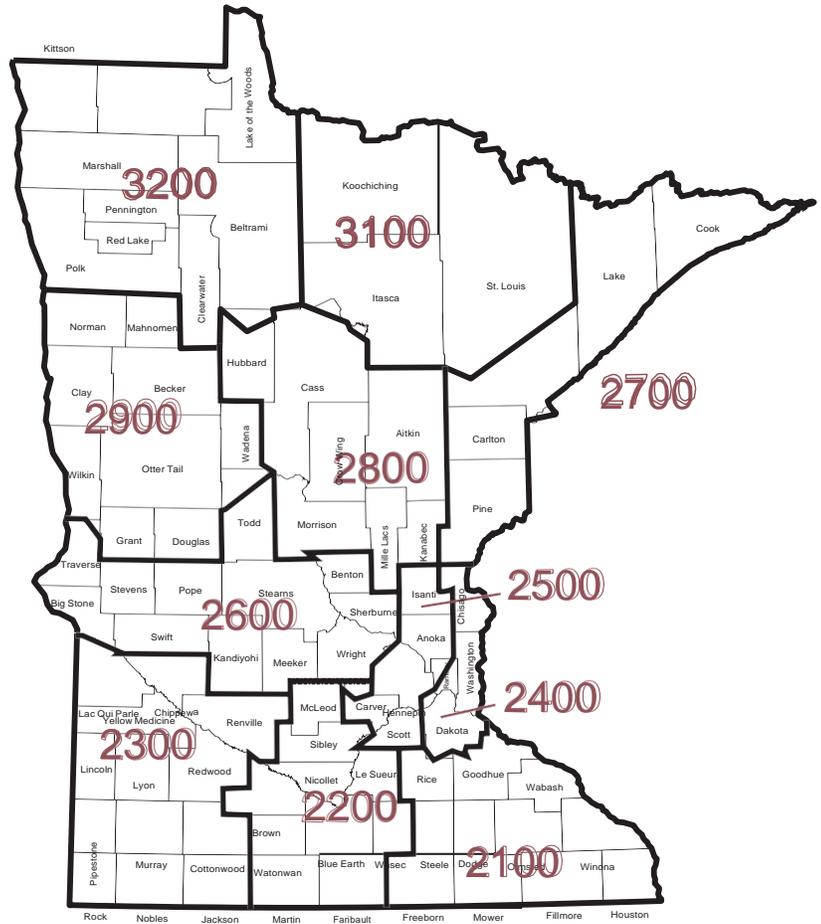
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2500	2005	North Lilac Drive, Golden Valley, MN 55442	(763) 591-4680
2600	3725	12th Street N., St. Cloud, MN 56303	(320) 223-6666
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2800	7694	Industrial Park Road Suite 2, Baxter, MN 56425	(218) 316-3030
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