

## *Gain Professional Experience in Washington, D.C.*

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**Internship Site:** STEMconnector©

**Program:** Advocacy, Service and Arts

“My internship with The Washington Center (TWC) allowed me to witness the intersection between business, policy and the nonprofit sector. During my semester, I was exposed to STEM education and the presence of women in STEM industries. I met with lawmakers and leaders in business and education passionate about changing the status quo. I improved my communication skills and helped launch a nationwide web portal that matches mentors with women interested in pursuing STEM careers.

TWC facilitated volunteer opportunities at a charter school where I was able to tutor students in English. As a senior who is preparing to go back to school and finish my last semester, coming to Washington, D.C. gave me a better idea of steps I need to take for the future.”



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