NEWS WRITER WANTED for College of Liberal Arts & Sciences

The College of Liberal Arts & Sciences Office of Communications and Marketing is seeking a news writer for Summer 2018 to help keep print and online audiences informed on the activities of alumni and the latest developments on campus. Are you able to write well and accurately on deadline? Are you comfortable conducting interviews? Does the idea of covering research, teaching, and student life in the largest college on campus appeal to you? Are you excited by the opportunity to pitch story ideas to an editor? If so, this may be a great internship for you.

Job Description
The primary duties for the student news writing position include:
- Writing news stories and briefs about news and developments in the College of LAS
- Conducting interviews and researching documents
- Promoting stories on LAS social media
- Proofreading, editing, and rewriting
- Other duties as assigned

Skills
The ideal candidate is a reliable and proficient writer who adheres closely to deadlines. They should be well-organized and able to work independently. They should be comfortable conducting and recording interviews of students, faculty, staff, and alumni. They should be detail-oriented and extremely concerned with accuracy. They should be willing to report on and research a wide variety of subjects. They should be able to recognize and generate their own story ideas in addition to writing assigned stories.

Hours
This is a paid summer position requiring you to work 20-25 hours per week during Summer 2018, with the possibility of the internship being extended through Fall 2018. Work schedules are flexible and may vary depending on the stories that you’re working on. Story deadlines are reasonable but firm. Our office is located in Lincoln Hall.

To Apply
Interested candidates should submit a resume, cover letter, and two to three writing samples to Dave Evensen at devensen@illinois.edu