Seven years after Arnold Schwarzenegger was elected governor of California in an unprecedented recall election, and two years after Barack Obama was elected president in an equally historic national campaign, the race to replace Schwarzenegger has received comparably little public attention. As election day draws closer, will Californians choose Jerry Brown, Steve Poizner, or Meg Whitman as the next governor?

Brown, the former Governor and current Attorney General, is almost certain to be the Democratic nominee. Whitman, the former CEO of Internet giant eBay, has established a strong lead in the polls for the Republican nomination, but Poizner, the state’s Insurance Commissioner and a former hi-tech CEO himself, made it clear last week that he won't go down without a fight. Hear more about the three candidates, how they would govern California, and what sort of state Schwarzenegger will leave to them.

Featuring off-campus experts Pat Reddy, co-author of “California after Arnold” and Aaron McLean, Governor Schwarzenegger’s Press Secretary, and student representatives from the USC College Democrats and the USC College Republicans. Moderated by a representative of The Daily Trojan; and Dan Schnur, Director of the USC Unruh Institute of Politics.

STUDENTS TALK BACK is a weekly lunch series giving USC students the opportunity to discuss national and state politics with professional experts from the worlds of campaigns, government, policy and journalism. Every Wednesday, we'll discuss one issue that dominates political debate in Washington and Sacramento. Students will participate as panelists and analysts, and our guest experts will answer questions and respond to comments from those in attendance. The Brown Bag lunch series is co-sponsored by the Unruh Institute, the Department of Political Science, The Daily Trojan, Political Student Assembly, College Democrats and College Republicans.

Thinking about what to do this summer? Check out our list of internships and find out how you can earn POSC 395 credit during the summer!

Participating in a political internship can help you gain a competitive edge in today’s job market, give you practical political experience and political job opportunities. The 2010 Census is hiring for short-term jobs with the U.S. Census Bureau. Positions range in pay from $12.75-$20/hour. Flexible hours and work close to home. Paid training (no prior experience needed). For more information, including a practice test, visit www.2010censusjobs.gov and call to schedule your test at 1-866-861-2010.

Summer 2010 Academic/internship programs in Washington D.C.

The Fund for American Studies (TFAS) sponsors summer Institutes which teach college students about the principles and values upon which the United States was founded. Students attend classes at Georgetown University and intern throughout Washington D.C.

The George Washington University Semester in Washington Politics program at George Washington University offers students a close-up look at the world of political campaigns, legislative politics and political communication while spending a summer or semester.
Participating in a political internship can help you gain a competitive edge in today’s job market, plus it provides practical real-world experience, helps build invaluable relationships with potential employers, and can help you earn college credit by taking **POSC 395**. With POSC 395, you may be able to earn between 2 and 8 credits for your major/minor course requirements.

Internship placements are available with elected officials, political consultants, non-governmental organizations, state, local and federal government agencies, environmental organizations, political parties and campaigns, interest groups, political media and more. Internships are available in Los Angeles, Sacramento, Washington D.C., and other cities throughout the U.S.

Here are just a few of the Washington D.C.-area opportunities** currently being advertised — many more are available:

**Please note that some application deadlines may have passed. Check the listings for more details.**

- American Abroad Media
- Brookings Institution
- Democratic National Committee
- Heritage Foundation
- Human Rights Campaign
- Institute for Humane Studies
- Pulitzer Center
- National Public Radio
- Amnesty International
- CATO Institute
- Global Security
- Dept. of Homeland Security
- Inter-American Dvlpt. Bank
- Int’l. Fndn. For Electoral Systems
- Progressive Policy Institute
- Ethics & Public Policy Center
- U.S. Department of State

For more information about POSC 395 and other opportunities/programs, stop by the Unruh Institute in VKC 263 or email the Internship Coordinator at yutani@usc.edu.

**Things to do after graduation**

**Capital Fellows** work as full-time members of a legislative, executive, or judicial branch office, actively contributing to the development and implementation of public policy in California. Fellows work for 11 months, receive health benefits and a monthly stipend of $1,972.

**City Year** unites young people of all backgrounds for a year of full-time service, giving them skills and opportunities to change the world. Living stipend is provided.

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