

**NC Office of Strategic Partnerships Monthly Connect:
Engaging Students in Government: From Part-Time Intern to Full-Time Career
Relevant Resources**

This resource list is a follow-up to the [NC Office of Strategic Partnerships \(OSP\)](#) March 2022 Monthly Connect: Engaging Students in Government: From Part-Time Intern to Full-Time Career ([recording](#)). OSP regularly shares information and resources after Monthly Connect sessions. Depending on the session, many or most of the links were shared by panelists or participants in the virtual “chat.” This is not a comprehensive list of resources for this topic. More about the Monthly Connect series [here](#).

Speakers at this Monthly Connect were

Catherine Chen, Doctoral Associate, NC Office of Strategic Partnerships, and 2022 PhD, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

Kiya Edwards, Digital Equity Manager, NC Office of Digital Equity and Literacy, NC Department of Information Technology

Bailey Recktenwald, Chief Strategy Officer, NC Department of Environmental Quality

Jenni Owen (moderator), Director, NC Office of Strategic Partnerships

Resources

Descriptions are paraphrased and come directly from corresponding links as of March 31, 2022.

NC Office of State Human Resources (OSHR)

- [Higher Education to North Carolina State Government Careers \(Ed2NC\)](#): A collaborative effort between the NC Office of State Human Resources and the NC Office of Strategic Partnerships committed to strengthening the pipeline of students and recent graduates into state government careers. *For more information: Andrea Bennett, andrea.bennett@nc.gov.*
- [State of NC Virtual Entry Level Career Expo](#) (April 6, 2022)
- [State of NC Virtual Career Fair for Individuals with Disabilities](#) (April 13, 2022)
- [Links to state agency internship pages](#)

[NC Office of Strategic Partnerships](#)

OSP develops, launches, and enhances partnerships between state agencies and NC’s research and philanthropic sectors.

- [NC Project Portal](#): A tool for sharing state agency research needs and for people to express interest in partnering on those opportunities.
- [Philanthropy Liaison resources](#): The Philanthropy Liaison has developed numerous resources to help people outside of government understand the sector better. For example:
 - [Resource Guide to NC’s Executive Branch](#)
 - [State Government 101 session](#)
- [NC COVID-19 Student Response Corps](#): The Response Corps helps match students to internships with government and nonprofit organizations.

[State of North Carolina Internship Program](#) (Department of Administration)

The NC Internship Program provides students with professional work experience that connects their classroom experiences and potential career choices. Interns work 40 hours/week for 10 weeks,

earning \$12.00/hr. Numerous internship positions are available during the summer at state agency locations across NC.

[Student Training Experience Program](#) (NC Department of Environmental Quality/DEQ)

The STEP Initiative provides paid, practical, and hands-on experience for students interested in learning more about DEQ's role in protecting the environment. *Deadline: April 18, 2022.*

[Work-Based Learning Navigator](#) (NC Business Committee for Education)

The Navigator is a free, first-of-its-kind, tool designed to connect classroom learning to career learning. Employers post work-based learning opportunities like job shadowing and internships (we call these resources), and educators search for, request, and track those resources in an open market environment.