

# Communications Jobs IN THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT

## Sample Job Profiles

### PUBLIC AFFAIRS SPECIALIST

**Salary Range:** \$54,272-\$100,554 per year  
**Duty Locations:** Washington, D.C.

**Job Summary:** The Department of Interior's National Park Service provides management, protection and visitor services for a unique group of sites that feature the United States' natural and human history. This position is in the Office of Public Affairs. Visit: [www.nps.gov](http://www.nps.gov)

**Major Duties:** The person hired for this position will serve as a writer, public affairs specialist, national press officer and outreach specialist. He or she will create communication plans for programs and policies; serve as a spokesperson; and recommend and establish communications strategies.

### SPECIAL EVENTS PROGRAM COORDINATOR

**Salary Range:** \$74,782-\$97,213 per year  
**Duty Locations:** Washington, D.C.

**Job Summary:** The Broadcasting Board of Governors is the U.S. Government agency that oversees U.S. non-military international broadcasting. Visit: [www.bbg.gov](http://www.bbg.gov)

**Major Duties:** The person who is selected for this position will be responsible for production coordination of coverage of designated special events, in coordination with Voice of America programming initiatives.

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#### WHAT CAN YOU DO WITH A DEGREE IN COMMUNICATIONS OR PUBLIC RELATIONS?

- ★ Telecommunications Managers
- ★ Communications Specialists
- ★ Public Affairs Specialists
- ★ Technical Writers and Editors
- ★ Audiovisual
- ★ Writers and Editors
- ★ Contact Representatives
- ★ Foreign Affairs Specialists
- ★ Foreign Agriculture Affairs Specialists
- ★ Public Affairs Specialists

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- ★ Agencies are authorized to help repay up to \$10,000 of a loan per year, up to \$60,000 total per employee.
- ★ An employee who receives student loan repayments must commit to remaining in the service of the federal government for at least three years.
- ★ In 2006, the federal government provided **5,755 employees with \$36 million** in loan repayment.

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<http://www.opm.gov/oca/pay/studentloan>

#### FIND AND APPLY FOR FEDERAL JOBS AND INTERNSHIPS ONLINE

**MakingtheDifference.org** provides valuable information and resources about job and internship opportunities in the federal government. On the site you'll find more information about federal agencies, an overview of the benefits of federal service, a directory of federal internships, "hot jobs" and "cool internships," tips for finding and applying for federal jobs, and much more. Plus, you'll see how federal employees are making the difference every day.

**USAJobs.gov** is a great place to begin your job search. It is administered by the U.S. Office of Personnel Management, the federal government's human resources agency, and has a regularly updated list of federal job openings. You can also build your resume and learn about the federal jobs that best match your interests.

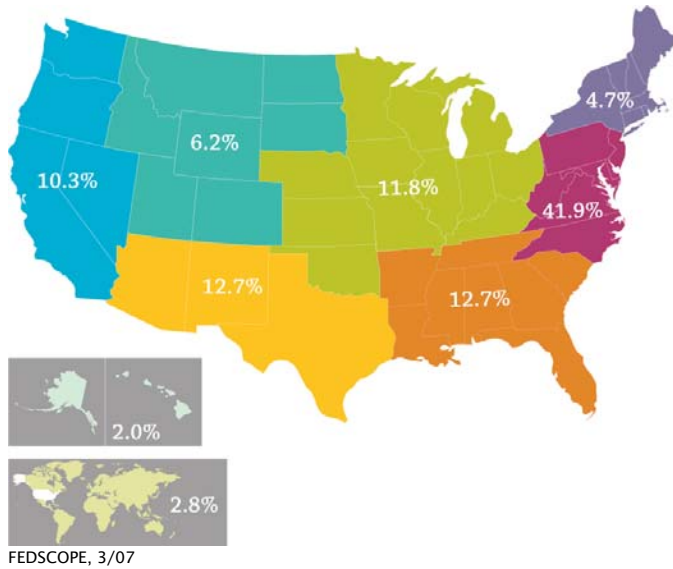


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## COMMUNICATIONS POSITIONS IN THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT BY REGION



## Examples of Internships

Do you have a natural curiosity about the world around you? Are you motivated, hard-working, and enthusiastic? Maybe you should think about becoming a VOA intern! Intern with **Voice of America** for a 6-12 week period. Transportation stipend provided. Visit: [www.voanews.com/english/About/2006-08-09-interns.cfm](http://www.voanews.com/english/About/2006-08-09-interns.cfm)

**Centers for Disease Control and Prevention** has several student programs in various locations, including headquarters in Atlanta, GA. These positions are open to college and graduate school students at any level. Visit: [www.cdc.gov/employment/studentjobs.htm#workstudy](http://www.cdc.gov/employment/studentjobs.htm#workstudy)

**Search for internships at:**  
[makingthedifference.org/federalinternships](http://makingthedifference.org/federalinternships)

### WHERE THE JOBS ARE

Over the next two years, our largest federal agencies project that they will hire nearly 193,000 new workers for "mission-critical" jobs.

This includes:

- ★ 200 general arts and information at the Broadcasting Board of Governors
- ★ 73 language specialists at the Department of Defense
- ★ 50 telecommunications positions at the Department of Homeland Security

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### TOP COMMUNICATIONS AGENCIES

Department/Agency	# Positions
Dept. of Defense	8,453
Dept. of Veterans Affairs	1,234
Dept. of Agriculture	994
Dept. of Interior	956
Dept. of Justice	849
Dept. Health and Human Services	817
Dept. of Homeland Security	809
Dept. of Treasury	549
Dept. of Commerce	322
Dept. of State	302
Social Security Administration	257
<b>Total, Including Agencies not listed</b>	<b>17,171</b>

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### TOP COMMUNICATIONS FIELDS

Field Title	# Positions
Telecommunications	5,478
Public Affairs	4,722
Visual Information	1,738
Writing and Editing	1,338
Audiovisual Production	1,107

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