



PennState

VICE PRESIDENT FOR GOVERNMENT AND COMMUNITY RELATIONS Information for Administrative Fellow Applicants for 2019-2020

Zack Moore serves as Vice President for Government and Community Relations at Penn State.

The primary goal of the Office of Government and Community Relations (www.govt.psu.edu) is to facilitate positive interactions and communications between the University and state, federal, and local agencies to further our mission as Pennsylvania's legislatively designed Land-Grant University. The Office of Government and Community Relations monitors legislative developments and provides accurate and timely analyses of proposals and the potential impact on Penn State students, faculty and staff. Penn State's long-standing policy and procedures require that official University governmental contacts are made through the Office of Government and Community Relations, thereby assuring that one official voice speaks for the University.

Our work supports foundational principles set forth by the University's administration, consistent with its strategic plan: ensure access and affordability for students; contribute to economic development and student career success; engage students to help them achieve excellence; celebrate diversity and reflect that in our demographics; and innovate in technology. Penn State's land-grant mission undergirds all our efforts: teaching, research, and service.

At the federal level, OGCR keeps in close contact with Members of Congress, congressional committees, federal agencies, and higher education associations in Washington, DC, to maintain strong relationships that help the University as much as the University helps the country. Given the wide range of federal interests for the University OGCR maintains federal relations staff at University Park, Hershey and Washington, DC. At the state level, OGCR works with legislators on ways the University carries out its land-grant mission successfully while strengthening the state's economy and improving the quality of life through research. At the local level, OGCR staff helps in the University's efforts to bolster county and local economies, both with research and entrepreneurial ventures. Partnerships with businesses expand employment opportunities for residents and make possible shared community facilities.

The Administrative Fellow will have the opportunity to engage with University leaders, student leaders, alumni, and elected officials and staff at the federal, state, and local levels of government. Regular travel to the state and national capitals is possible.