Samantha Simpson, Harris EMP ’19, is running for Illinois General Assembly in the 2020 Democratic primary. From Auburn-Gresham to Countryside, we are going door-to-door to talk with voters about the importance of electing a progressive representative for the 31st House District.

**Join our grassroots campaign** to be a central part of increasing progressive leadership in the Illinois General Assembly. We are looking for dedicated field organizers, communications and research interns who want to gain experience working on a local campaign for Chicago’s Southwest Side and Suburbs.

**Field**

**Responsibilities:**
- Own assigned geographical area and lead direct voter contact in area (walking shifts/daily calls)
- Update campaign database information
- Canvass neighborhoods within the district for petition signatures and turnout
- Recruit, train and motivate new volunteers

**Qualifications:**
- Self-starter with superior time management and organization skills
- Excellent communication and interpersonal skills
- Willingness to work nights and weekends
- Valid driver’s license and reliable transportation preferred

**Communications**

**Responsibilities:**
- Draft official statements, scripts and press releases
- Organize and distribute daily media clips to campaign team
- Attend canvass events with the campaign team to talk with our neighbors at their doors
- Other communication-related projects and assignments as needed

**Qualifications:**
- Strong written and verbal communication skills
- Solid understanding of different social networks, products and tools (ie. Google Suite)
- Creative thinker with attention to detail
- Major or degree in Communications, Journalism, Public Relations or related fields preferred

**Policy Research**

**Responsibilities:**
- Research policies and evaluate potential benefits to Illinois
- Draft briefings on hot button issues and initiatives
- Develop ideas for innovative policies and initiatives

**Qualifications**
- Knowledge of current events and political issues
- Independent thinker with strong analytical skills
- Strong written and verbal communication skills

**If interested, please apply here.**

This is a non-paid internship of 10-20 hours per week. Flexibility is preferred. Recent graduates may also apply. Email Anna-Lena Schmidt at annalena@samanthasimpson.org for questions or more information.