Government Opportunities in Food & Agriculture Policy

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United States Department of Agriculture (USDA)
Agencies in Washington, D.C:
- 35 individual agencies and offices, see: http://www.usda.gov/wps/portal/usda/usdahome?navid=AGENCIES_OFFICES

USDA Agencies with State and Regional Offices:
- Natural Resources Conservation Service (Davis)
- Rural Development (Davis)
- Farm Service Agency (Davis)
- Risk Management Agency (Davis)
- Food and Nutrition Service (San Francisco)

Health and Human Services (HHS) Agencies:
- Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (Atlanta, GA)
- Food and Drug Administration (Silver Spring, MD)
- Regional office (San Francisco)

Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Divisions:
- Pesticides Program: National (Washington, D.C.) and Western Region (San Francisco)
- Water Program: National (Washington, D.C.) and Western Region (San Francisco)
- Air Program: National (Washington, D.C.) and Western Region (San Francisco)

Senate Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition and Forestry: Farm Bill, Child Nutrition

House Committee on Agriculture: Farm Bill

House Committee on Education and the Workforce: Child Nutrition

House Committee on Appropriations
- House Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies
- House Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, Education, and Related Agencies

Internships are available for the full committee, a subcommittee, or any individual member. Agencies often have their own internship programs, but they're not centrally listed. Asking one's local Congressperson or Senator about internship opportunities is a good start for working in Congress.

Programs designed for students to gain experience in the federal government:
- Presidential Management Fellows Program http://www.pmf.gov/
- Emerson National Hunger Fellows http://www.hungercenter.org/fellowships/emerson/
- Congressional Black Caucus Foundation Fellowship Program https://www.cbcfinc.org/fellowships/fellowship-eligibility-the-application-process/
- Congressional Hispanic Caucus Fellowship Program https://chci.org/programs/public-policy-fellowship-program/

Links are subject to change. Please use a web search to check programs and agency names.
Asian Pacific American Institute for Congressional Studies Fellowship Program  
http://apaics.org/

EPA Greater Research Opportunities for Undergraduate Students  

USDA Student Internship Program  

HHS Student Internship Program  
https://www.hhs.gov/about/careers/pathways/internship-opportunities-students/index.html

University of California Washington Center  
http://www.ucdc.edu/internships

UC Berkeley Matsui Center Washington Fellowship  
https://igs.berkeley.edu/matsui-center/washington-fellowship

California Department of Education: Nutrition Services Division  
http://www.cde.ca.gov/re/di/or/nsd.asp

California Department of Food and Agriculture  
https://www.cdfa.ca.gov/internships/

California Department of Pesticide Regulation  
http://www.cdpr.ca.gov/

California Natural Resources Agency  
http://resources.ca.gov/

California Department of Public Health: Nutrition Education and Obesity Prevention  
https://www.cdph.ca.gov/Programs/CCDPHP/DCDIC/NEOPB/Pages/Nutrition_Education_Obesity_Prevention_Branch.aspx

California Department of Public Health: WIC Program  
https://www.cdph.ca.gov/Programs/CFH/DWICSN/Pages/AboutWIC.aspx

California Department of Public Health: Environmental Health  
https://www.cdph.ca.gov/HealthInfo/environhealth/Pages/default.aspx

California Association of Resource Conservation Districts  
http://www.carcd.org

Asking one's local Assemblyperson or State Senator about internship opportunities is a good start for working in the State Legislature.

Programs designed for students to gain experience in state government:

- Future Farmers of America  
http://www.calaged.org/
- UC Berkeley Matsui Center Cal-in-Sacramento Fellowship  
https://igs.berkeley.edu/matsui-center/cal-in-sacramento-fellowship

San Francisco Bay Area

Alameda County Health Department  
http://www.acphd.org/

Alameda County WIC Program  
http://www.acphd.org/wic.aspx

City of Berkeley Public Health Division  
https://www.cityofberkeley.info/Health_Human_Services/Public_Health/Volunteer_and_Intern_Opportunities.aspx

San Francisco Department of Public Health  
http://www.sfdph.org/dph/eh/

San Francisco Human Services Agency (SNAP/CalFresh)  
http://www.sfhsa.org/

Programs designed for students to gain experience in local Bay Area government:

- UC Berkeley Matsui Center Local Government Fellowship  
https://igs.berkeley.edu/matsui-center/local-gov-fellowship