The Washington State House of Representatives’ Office of Program Research (OPR) in Olympia provides nonpartisan staff support to House committees and members. OPR is seeking candidates for temporary positions as a Session Committee Assistant. These positions are nonpartisan and exempt from civil service.

DUTIES

Principal duties of a Session Committee Assistant include:

- Providing clerical and administrative support to OPR research staff and the committees;
- Preparing official committee meeting materials and records;
- Proofreading and/or editing staff documents as requested by OPR research staff;
- Operating hearing room audio, video, recording, and sign-in equipment;
- Tracking the progress of bills;
- Word processing;
- Providing information to legislators, staff, lobbyists, media, and the general public; and
- As needed, acting as the receptionist, answering telephones, and receiving visitors.

QUALIFICATIONS

The ideal candidate must be:

- Skilled in clerical and administrative procedures;
- An excellent proofreader, attentive to detail, and committed to producing high quality documents;
- Able to use good judgment and maintain confidentiality;
- Proficient with Microsoft Office 2016, including Word, Outlook, and Internet Explorer, and able to quickly learn specialized computer applications designed for committee support;
- Able to multi-task and prioritize tasks within competing deadlines, and also willing to work the long, irregular hours that are common during legislative sessions; and
- Knowledgeable about state government and the functions and organization of the Legislature.

An undergraduate degree is preferred.
DATES/HOURS/COMPENSATION

These positions are temporary, from approximately December 31, 2019 through March 12, 2020. These positions are full-time. Please note that all of these positions require some evening and weekend work. Compensation is $3,649 per month for new Committee Assistants, with adjustments for returning Committee Assistants.

APPLICATIONS

For best consideration, candidates should complete an online application and upload a letter of interest, resume, and three professional references by November 12, 2019. Screening and selection may occur prior to the application deadline.

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All qualified applicants are encouraged to apply.