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Indiana Senate honors Russell for service during legislative session

INDIANAPOLIS –The Indiana State Senate recognized 15 interns last week for their outstanding efforts as Senate Democrat Interns during the 2010 session of the 116th Indiana General Assembly. The resolution was authored by members of the Senate Democratic Caucus and was passed unanimously by the Senate.

Among those honored was Sarah Russell, a native of Pendleton. Russell worked in the Indiana Senate Democrat Communications Office. Russell is a senior at Ball State University where she is working toward a Bachelor of Arts degree in political science and journalism. Upon graduation in May, she plans on furthering her career in politics and media relations, and she has an interest in writing as a multimedia reporter for a magazine, newspaper or online publication.

As a legislative intern, Russell worked full time for the caucus throughout the session which convened in January. She assisted the Senate Democrat Communications Office with press release writing, audio and video recording and editing, web design and legislative research. The annual internship program is designed to provide valuable experiences for students who are integrally involved in the legislative process.

The Indiana Senate Democratic Internship is open to all college sophomores, juniors, seniors and graduate students in good academic standing. No specific major is required. Interns work full time for the duration of the session and earn a stipend as well as academic credit. The internship provides students with a unique educational opportunity to gain hands-on experience in Indiana state government.

Applications for the internship are available online in August as well as through the career centers and political science departments of most Indiana colleges. For more information on the internship program, contact Elise Shrock, Intern Director, at (317) 232-9496 or eshrock@iga.in.gov or visit the internship website at www.in.gov/legislative/senate_democrats/internships.htm.

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Editor's note: A photo of intern Sarah Russell and Senate Democrat Leader Vi Simpson (D-Ellettsville) is available at http://www.in.gov/legislative/senate_democrats/images/Interns/sarah_russell_simpson.JPG.