**Queens College NYPIRG**

**Internship Application**

**PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT ELIGIBLY**

**Semester for which you are applying FALL 2020**

**As best you can, please list on what days and times you are available:** Monday: Tuesday: Wednesday: Thursday: Friday:

**Monday:** 10:30AM – 6:30PM

**Tuesday:** The whole day except for 10:45AM – 12:00 PM

**Wednesday**: 10:30AM – 6:30PM

**Thursday:** The whole day

**Friday:** The whole day except for 10:45AM – 12:00 PM

*Note: Interns are expected to make a commitment of at least 8 hours per week. A one-hour chapter meeting and a one-hour skill workshop are also mandatory dates/times TBA by semester.*

**PERSONAL INFORMATION** Full name: Email: Amit Charran : amit.charran@gmail.com

Phone (circle: cell or home): Major: Computer Science

**Please select which NYPIRG campaign(s) interest you:**

\_\_ Voter Mobilization and Rights

\_\_ Straphangers Campaign (Mass Transit)

**X** Consumer Action

**X** Higher Education/Financial Aid

**X** Hunger and Homelessness Outreach

**X** Environmental Protection

**How did you hear about NYPIRG’s internship program?**

One day I was just minding my own business on campus and someone walked up to me and told me about NYPIRG and asked for my support. I do not remember what they spoke about, but I gave them my number and information on a sheet of paper they asked me to fill out. After a while of getting messages from Meg, I eventually decided to show up and help. The Cecilia and Meg told me about the internship program.

**What do you expect to learn from the NYPIRG internship?**

I expect to learn how to improve my public speaking skills. Honestly, I am not satisfied with it. I have taken public speaking classes and assumed that I can always perform it when I want to but that does not seem to be the case. I need practice and this will help me with that.

Additionally, I expect to learn about all of NYPRIG’s campaigns and public issues. I usually isolate myself from public issues because I do not want to worry about them. I solely focused on my schooling and anything in my immediate vicinity. I want to change that, but I am not sure why. I think it is because of the influence everyone has had on me while volunteering at NYPIRG.

**Do you have any previous experiences with grassroots organizing? If so, what campaigns or organizations were they?**

This is the first time I have ever heard the term “grassroots organizing” and I think I vaguely understand it after a quick google search. I do think activities I did in Key Club can count as a soft of grassroots organizing. Key Club is a student-led service program for high school student. We would organize as many people as we can to volunteer for breast-cancer walks, aid walk, soup kitchens and many more things.

**Are you involved in other extracurricular activities? If so, please list them:**

No, I am not involved in any extra-curricular activities.

**What contributions do you think you will be able to make to the internship program?**

At the very least I will be able to contribute time and presence to the internship program since I have decided not to work during my fall semester in college and will have a lot of time available. However, I am a very capable person and I can provide much more than that. I would consider myself a reliable person, who will put in his best attempt at any task. I also like to be punctual whenever any event or meeting is going happening.

Additional to all these nice things I can say about myself, I also have computer science skills that can hopefully be utilized here. Something that would be cool to do is create data sets and data visualizations graphs on topics that NYPIRG covers. It would be a way for me to use my computer science skills to provide something real. Also if it is possible, I would be very excited to do that and I can set everything up myself as long as I have an idea to work with.