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Why policy? For a better world. Why Harris Public Policy? Because when it comes to better policymaking, evidence matters. At the University of Chicago Harris School of Public Policy, we use the best social science of the day to make the world a better place. Here, you'll combine a rigorous education with immediate practice and gain access to the opportunities of a preeminent university and a global city. You'll find support in a lifelong network of mentors and peers, as you turn your passion for doing good into an impactful career.

Harris Career Paths



"I gained the knowledge of a political science graduate student, plus quantitative skills, plus all of the insight and exposure to other fields where policy is being made."

Kristen Hajduk, MPP'07 Special Assistant, US Department of Defense



"I wanted to readjust my career direction. I came to Harris to hone the professional skills needed to enter the policy field in my home country of Indonesia."

Andi Widianto, MPP'15 Economic Analyst, Central Bank of Indonesia



"The thought leaders and tremendous variety of educational opportunities that the University of Chicago has are peerless. All the skills I apply today I learned at Harris."

Kevin Hartman, MPP'98, MBA'98 Head of Analytics, Google

HARRIS EXPERIENCE

Hajduk reported on complex policy issues in editorial internships at the Bulletin of the Atomic Scientists and Chicago Policy Review. Harris faculty challenged Widianto to see new possibilities, allowing him to pivot his career in engineering to one in economic policy. While earning his degrees at the University of Chicago Booth School of Business and Harris Public Policy, Hartman also took courses at the Pritzker School of Medicine and School of Social Service Administration. These experiences taught him how to analyze data to inform decision making from a variety of perspectives.

HARRIS RESULTS

At Harris, Hajduk honed an interest and expertise in defense policy, which helped land her roles in the capital. "I am impacting my country's economic policy by bridging the gap between academic research and policy practice." "Data and analytics are behind everything that we do, from politics to business. Harris teaches students how to think in a way that they won't find anywhere else—Harris taught me how to be a thinker, how to be a storyteller."

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Connect to the World

Applied experiences allow Harris Public Policy students to make an immediate impact during their time as students.

INTERNSHIPS

Apply and develop skills, gain professional experience, and explore career interests. Take advantage of funded internship opportunities reserved for Harris students through partner organizations, including Oxfam, Sunlight Foundation, OECD, Open Society Foundations, Yunus Centre, and International Innovation Corps.

HARRIS POLICY LABS

This intensive experiential learning initiative applies course work to real-time public policy challenges. Policy Lab teams have made recommendations to clients including the Cook County Health and Hospitals System, Metropolitan Planning Council, Navy Pier, Illinois Department of Human Services, University of Chicago Medicine, and City of Gary, Indiana.

INTERDISCIPLINARY CENTERS

Bring insights to the field through centers and institutes at Harris and across UChicago. Harris's more than a dozen centers include the Center for Municipal Finance, which engages students and faculty in the major financial issues facing state and local governments, and the Energy Policy Institute at the University of Chicago (EPIC), an interdisciplinary research and training institute focused on the economic and social consequences of energy policies.



MINI-COURSES

Policy analysts, academics, journalists, and other professionals with on-the-ground experience teach short courses on a broad range of topics, such as Fundamentals of Leadership and Policing in the 21st Century.

HARRIS CAREER TREKS

Meet employers and your UChicago alumni network in annual treks to New York City and Washington, DC, organized by the Harris Career Development Office. Recent treks have brought students to the Brookings Institution, Federal Reserve Bank of New York, and United Nations Development Programme, as well as career information sessions and panel discussions with alumni.

LIVING IN A GLOBAL CITY

Harris Public Policy's Chicago location enriches research, partnerships, and student life. Work alongside top practitioners and politicians in internships, address policy issues facing our city in research centers and student groups, and develop solutions that can be used as models in other urban areas worldwide through Policy Labs and Harris fellowships.

After graduation, you can jump-start your career here in Chicago—a global epicenter for policy, industry, and innovation—or apply your expertise to a successful career anywhere in the world. "I believe that policymaking should promote innovation and innovators need to work hand-in-hand with policymakers. My job at the White House was to convince agencies that open government was in their best interest and would help them achieve their goals."

Lisa Ellman, MPP'05, JD'05 Partner, Hogan Lovells LLP Co-Executive Director, Commercial Drone Alliance Washington, DC



Develop Your Network

Harris Public Policy students are supported throughout their time at the University of Chicago, and they build personal and professional relationships that last a lifetime.

CAREER

DEVELOPMENT OFFICE

From application to interview, Harris staff members in the Career Development Office are here to support you. Prepare for

your career through individual

career counseling, employer

and alumni networking, and

on-campus recruiting.



top employers participate in oncampus recruiting of Harris students.

MENTOR PROGRAM

Learn from a top policy practitioner, matched to you based on your goals and interests. All Harris master's students benefit from the Mentor Program, and many mentoring matches evolve into lasting professional relationships. Mentors are leaders in their fields, many of them Harris alumni, who work across sectors in the United States and internationally.

HARRISLINK

Find thousands of internship, fellowship, and full-time employment opportunities on HarrisLink, a comprehensive, searchable database that connects Harris students and alumni with employers.

CLASS OF 2016 CAREERS*

97% of reporting 2016

graduates secured employment.





41% Private 36% Nonprofit/NGO/IGO 23% Public

Top Policy Areas

Economic policy and public finance Urban Health Child and family Politics and policymaking International Education

Top Job Functions

Consulting

Management

Policy design, analysis, and evaluation

Research

Government affairs

Program administration and evaluation

Policy advising

* 92 percent (139) of 2016 graduates reported employment information.

Sampling of Full-Time Employment of Recent Graduates

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