

**Your future
career is waiting.**



**We're here to help
you find it.**



At Harris, you are more than a student. You are a future leader, change-maker, and policy influencer.

STUDYING PUBLIC POLICY MEANS MANY CAREER OPTIONS. BUT WE KNOW THAT FINDING THE RIGHT FIT CAN BE A CHALLENGE.

Whether it's your first job or your next move, whether you're looking to advance in your current organization or pivot to a new field, the Harris Career Development Office (CDO) is here for you.

Our Career Development team assists students from the moment they arrive on campus. By offering one-on-one advising appointments or organizing on-campus interviews with top organizations, the Career Development Office gives students the resources they need to pursue their future from Day One.



"You're never intimidated by an interview or an opportunity. You feel ready, and that's our job."

—ADAM MCGRIFFIN

Director of Career Development & External Partnerships, Harris Public Policy

We believe your career path isn't linear—it's cyclical. That's why we're here through it all, from your years as a student to your life as an alum.





CDO
is here
for you!



We offer the following support throughout your career, at Harris and after:

- One-on-one advising sessions
- Individual career coaching
- Résumé and cover letter review
- Interview preparation
- Access to databases for internships, fellowships, and jobs
- Workshops to develop presentation and job search skills
- On-campus recruiting events
- Building your online career brand (LinkedIn and thought leadership)
- Information and access to career-related programming within the larger University of Chicago community, including UChicagoGRAD
- Professional growth opportunities
- Advice on offer negotiation tactics
- Guidance through effective workplace transitions
- Speaker events, including employer information sessions, alumni career panels, and networking opportunities

OUR STUDENT AFFAIRS TEAM IS ALSO HERE TO HELP YOU MAKE THE MOST OF OUR **AWARD-WINNING HARRIS MENTOR PROGRAM**, WHICH PROVIDES INDIVIDUALIZED CAREER SUPPORT BASED ON YOUR INTERESTS AND GOALS.

The Mentor Program has been a part of Harris for more than 25 years. Mentors are elected officials, CEOs, executive directors, policy advocates, and other professionals who freely give their time and insight to the important task of nurturing our next generation of policy leaders.

In your first year, you will work with a mentor as part of a group of students who share similar career interests. Groups meet quarterly or biquarterly for sector- and interest-specific events. In your first year, programming will focus on:

- Career exploration
- Adjustment to graduate school
- Connecting the curriculum to professional applications
- Professional development

During your second year, you will develop a one-on-one relationship with your mentor. Mentors are drawn from across the United States and internationally, and they represent a wide variety of career sectors. Through the advice, experience, and insights of their mentors, students are better able to channel their aspirations and interests into definable career goals and build their professional networks.



Did You Know?

The Harris Mentor Program won the 2017 Outstanding Program Award by the American College Personnel Association (ACPA) Commission for Student Involvement. Only one school nationwide is awarded the honor, which recognizes the most innovative campus-conceived program that exceeds expectations in one of four functional areas.



At Harris, we're just as focused on your job satisfaction as helping you find a job.

FIRST AND FOREMOST, WE ARE HERE TO HELP YOU FIND EMPLOYMENT.

But beyond that, we strive to ensure the highest level of job satisfaction for each graduate. It's why 92 percent of students answered they were "satisfied" or "very satisfied" in our 2016 Career Outcomes report.

CDO is here to help build your professional brand, determine areas of career interest, and support your job search from application to offer negotiation—as a student and throughout your career.

97% of reporting 2016 graduates secured employment

Of these employed graduates:

90%

had accepted offers three months out from graduation

73%

of students accepted offers by the time of graduation

Top Policy Areas

Alumni working in careers related to policy most commonly reported working in the following policy areas.*

- | | |
|--------------------------------------|---|
| 1 Economic policy and public finance | 3 Child and family |
| 2 Urban policy
Health policy | 4 Education policy
International policy
Politics and policymaking |

*Some respondents reported working in more than one policy area.

Sector Breakdown



41%
PRIVATE

36%
NONPROFIT
/NGO/IGO

23%
PUBLIC/
GOVERNMENT
AGENCY

Top Job Functions

Reporting alumni who secured employment most commonly defined their job responsibilities in the following categories.

- | | |
|--|--|
| 1. Research | 5. Finance, budget |
| 2. Consulting | 6. Program administration and evaluation |
| 3. Management | 7. Government affairs |
| 4. Policy design, analysis, and evaluation | |



Dreaming of a global career? Harris gets you there.

INTERNSHIP FUNDING

Our students envision themselves in careers that make an impact across the nation and around the globe.

Wherever you want to be, there's a good chance the Harris global alumni network is represented there.

And alongside your degree, Harris helps you achieve your career goals with work experience through internships at some of the most influential organizations in Chicago and Washington, D.C., such as the World Bank, the Sunlight Foundation, Oxfam America, the Urban Institute, and City of Chicago Office of the Mayor.

We believe an internship is an important piece of putting your education to work. For this reason, Harris invests in funding unpaid internships in the public and nonprofit sectors. That way, you can focus on meaningful policy work at the right organization, without the pressure of securing a salary.*



Harris provides a limited number of \$3,000 Harris Midway Fund stipends, which are available to students doing degree relevant and career-advancing unpaid summer internships in the public and nonprofit sectors.



The France Chicago Center's partnership with Harris offers students the opportunity to apply for a stipend worth up to \$4,000 for a summer internship in France.



Thanks to the generosity of Harris alumnus John Bartlett, CDO has two stipends worth up to \$5,000 each available to students pursuing unpaid or underpaid summer internships in energy or environmental economics and policy.



The Kreisman Initiative on Housing Law and Policy, made possible by a generous gift from David Kreisman, AB'60, JD'63, and his wife, Susan, began at the University of Chicago Law School in the fall of 2013. As part of this mission, the Initiative provides a limited number of \$5,000 stipends to Harris students who have secured unpaid housing-related internships.

*Internship funding is acquired through a competitive application process.



Your career trajectory takes off here.

OUR OUTSTANDING ALUMNI ARE DRIVEN TO TACKLE SOCIETY'S TOUGHEST CHALLENGES USING INNOVATIVE, DATA-DRIVEN SOLUTIONS.

Backed by the strength of UChicago's Alumni Association, our close-knit network of more than 3,000 Harris alumni is made up of policy advisors, program officers, campaign chiefs of staff, financial analysts and consultants, economists and research specialists, government officers, foreign exchange traders, and directors at major organizations worldwide.

Our alumni make an impact around the globe every day.

Join them.



“Bringing rigorous analysis to bear on pressing policy questions is more vital now than ever. The exceptional scholarship and academic programs of Harris have positioned it as a leader in this crucial work.”

– KATHERINE BAICKER

Dean and Emmett Dedmon Professor
Harris School of Public Policy
University of Chicago



Kimberly Driggins, MPP'95, Director of Strategic Planning/Arts and Culture in the Detroit Planning and Development Department, credits her policy degree with launching her career in urban planning and creative placemaking.

Driggins was planning to be a lawyer. That is, until she had a White House internship that opened up the possibilities of a career in public policy.

She explains, “During my internship doing law legislative histories, I saw so many disgruntled and unhappy lawyers in D.C. And, on the flip side, I saw high performers working on domestic policy issues. Those people had a degree in public policy or public administration. I had never realized that was an option for me.”

Today, Driggins is an urban planner tasked with helping to define what inclusive planning, design, and development means for the City of Detroit.

Read the rest of her story at harris.uchicago.edu/Driggins.

Marie Trzupek Lynch, MPP'96, is a passionate champion for Chicago-area residents who are out of work or underemployed. As the founding president and CEO of Skills for Chicagoland's Future, she has helped get more than 4,300 residents back to work in the last five years by partnering with leading area employers.

Through her involvement with the Harris Mentor Program, Lynch has made a game-changing female hire for her own organization. Six years ago, she hired mentee and graduate Allison Ryan Angeloni (MPP'11), who has since risen to a vice president position in the organization.



“Allison has brought an important Harris-style, data-driven approach to looking at problems. Because of her education at Harris, she has the ability to be flexible and to do everything from policy work to leading a recruiting team to national expansion,” Lynch explains.

Read the rest of their story at harris.uchicago.edu/lynch.



Andi Widiyanto, MPP'15, Economic Analyst, Central Bank of Indonesia, believes that Harris enabled him to transition his career and become a policy entrepreneur.

“I previously worked as an engineer in Indonesia, but I wasn’t and couldn’t make an impact on a national level in that capacity. I enrolled at Harris to hone the professional skills needed to enter the policy field in the government sector.

“My Harris education was a life-transforming journey, personally and professionally. I not only received a stellar policy education, but also built relevant networks and experiences.”

Read the rest of his story at harris.uchicago.edu/widiyanto.

THE KELLER CENTER, OPENING IN 2019.



Inspired by the Harris ethos of positive social impact, the Keller Center will showcase Harris Public Policy's enduring commitment to intellectual openness, inclusivity, and bold innovation. The Keller Center will serve as one of the University of Chicago's anchors on the south side of campus, connecting to neighboring communities and inviting the public to engage with the living work of creating, evaluating, and challenging public policy initiatives.

"The students who come to us from Harris have the ability to do deep quantitative thinking and analysis, and yet have this great way of linking that to discussion and conversation and storytelling. I think that comes from the way that they're trained, from the types of courses that go so deep on the quant side, and the modeling side, and into the data, and yet are rooted in discussion, and collaboration, and debate. The students from the University of Chicago who I see have this amazing ability to link the two of them."

- KEVIN HARTMAN, MBA'98, MPP'98

Head of Analytics, Google



The University of Chicago does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, national or ethnic origin, age, status as an individual with a disability, protected veteran status, genetic information, or other protected classes under the law. For more information and resources, visit equalopportunity.uchicago.edu.

**The University of Chicago
Harris School of Public Policy**

1155 E 60th St
Chicago, Illinois 60637
773.702.8400



**THE UNIVERSITY OF
CHICAGO**