



CHARLES H. PERCY SUMMER IN WASHINGTON

THE IOP'S CHARLES H. PERCY SUMMER IN WASHINGTON PROGRAM PROVIDES SUMMER-LONG PROGRAMMING IN WASHINGTON, D.C. FOR UCHICAGO STUDENTS INTERNING IN POLITICS, PUBLIC SERVICE, GOVERNMENT, AND OTHER RELATED ORGANIZATIONS.

Each summer, more than 80 IOP students participate in paid, career-oriented internships in Washington, D.C., through the Charles H. Percy Summer in Washington Program. These students engage in substantive summer-long programming in the nation's capital. They attend weekly discussion programs with top political leaders and policy makers; learn from issue-based and career-oriented seminars; participate in an extensive alumni mentoring program; and visit Capitol Hill, think tanks, cabinet agencies, and newsrooms to see politics and public service in action.

Since the program's inception, students have visited the White House, the U.S. Department of Labor, the CIA, the American Enterprise Institute, PBS NewsHour, USAID, Brookings Institution, POLITICO, and the Huffington Post, among many other organizations.

"The Summer in Washington program has been one of our great success stories so far," says IOP Director David Axelrod. "It gives students the chance to engage hands-on each summer with the issues, people, and organizations they care about."

The program is supported by a generous gift from Sharon Percy Rockefeller, honoring the legacy of her father, the late Charles H. Percy (AB '41), a distinguished alumnus, past Trustee of the University, and former three-term Republican United States Senator representing Illinois.

"The IOP's Summer in Washington program was a tremendous opportunity, as I got the chance to attend numerous awesome events, talk with my mentor about career possibilities, tour DC, and meet with high-level people, such as Chris Lu, Patrick Murphy and Tom Vilsack."

- ADAM CHAN, AB'19

