



INTERNSHIPS

Inspire a mission

If you've ever worked with recent college graduates, you know what a difference it can make if they've had the chance to do real work in an internship or fellowship while they were still in school. That combination of academic and practical experience launches graduates with a clearer understanding of the work they're going to do, gives them a head start on building their careers, and prepares them to start making substantial contributions to the world from day one.

Support our career development efforts today!

Internships also help students explore a variety of career options and choose the best fit for their interests and skills. As you undoubtedly know, it's much easier to switch gears early on than to spend years feeling vaguely dissatisfied and then try to enter a new field. With a few internships under their belts, the Pardee School's students head into the world with a confident sense of what they can do and where they want to do it.

In many fields where our students hope to work, the first step is an internship with a nonprofit. But these internships are often unpaid, so many students face a tough decision.

WHAT YOU CAN DO

Your gift can provide stipends for talented students in need, making it possible for them to choose a great but unpaid internship instead of having to take a paying job. You can also provide a real service by helping students find internships with your own organization or in your network, giving them opportunities to volunteer, and mentoring them in your field.

Some giving options:

- Contribute to the Michael Corgan Internship & Career Development Fund: any amount up to \$25,000
- Sponsor two students in unpaid summer internships: \$20,000
- Endow a named internship fund: \$100,000
- Endow a named internship fund that will fully fund two students annually in perpetuity: \$500,000

“ My internship with the National Defense University taught me more about the diplomatic and academic elements that work with the military to construct US engagement with the world. It provided me with many mentors, ranging from ambassadors to officers, who combined their love of learning with their love of service and who continue to inspire my academic pursuits back at BU.”

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