

Public Service Internship & Scholarship Program



Public Service Internships: CAPAL's Public Service Internship Program places students within public sector organizations based in the Washington, DC area and throughout the United States. Interns will be exposed to various duties and will see their work benefit the communities around them. Intern duties may include policy or scientific research, project coordination and management, business, law, communications, and more. Those selected will be placed based on their interests and skills.

Mission: The Conference on Asian Pacific American Leadership (CAPAL) seeks to empower Asian American, Native Hawaiian, and Pacific Islander (AANHPI) youth by increasing access to public service opportunities and building a strong AANHPI public service pipeline.

Vision: CAPAL envisions a future with equitable AANHPI representation throughout all levels of government and public service.





Public Service Scholarship:

CAPAL's Public Service Scholarship Program is intended to enable outstanding students serving in unpaid public service internships based in the Washington DC area. Scholars learn how to influence the Asian-American, Native Hawaiian, and Pacific Islander (AANHPI) community as well as their own local communities. Recipients of the scholarships are responsible for securing their own internship.



2023 Intern Spotlight

"Overall, I had an amazing experience with CAPAL this summer!.. I got to meet other college students who were interested in public service and passionate about similar issues.. I hope to maintain some of these connections going forward in my career and personal life."

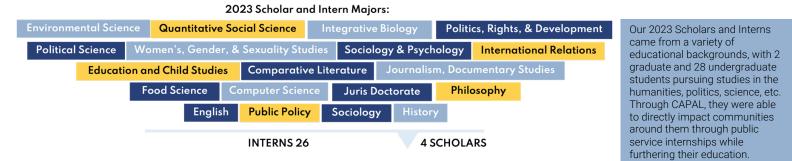


Khue Tran 2023 USDA NRCS-Wisconsin Intern

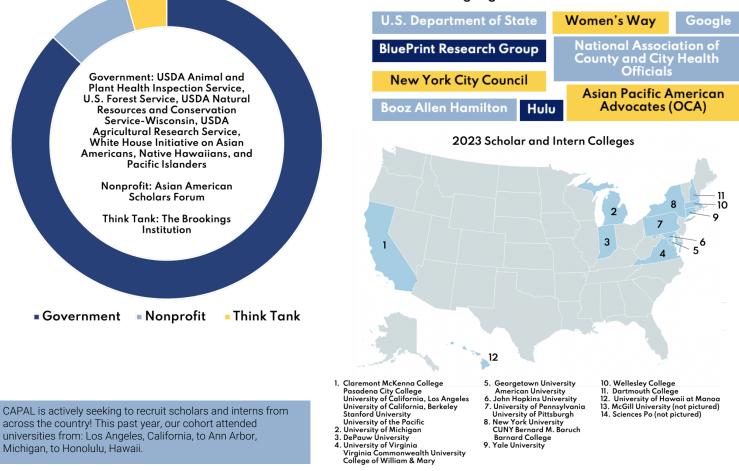
Professional Development: Interns and scholars participate in a series of career coaching sessions facilitated by a trained development coach. In addition, students receive one-on-one mentoring and engage in speaker panels.

Washington Leadership Program: These weekly seminars focus on issues facing the AANHPI community and serve as an introduction to public service.

Community Action Projects: Scholars and interns collaborate to directly support important causes and established organizations by delivering concrete products for community partners.



Over the past 10 years, CAPAL has served over 220 scholars and interns, many of whom have gone on to pursue careers at the following organizations:



Apply: Scholarships and internships are open to both undergraduate and graduate students of all areas of study. To apply or learn more about our programs visit <u>https://www.capal.org/site/2018/09/04/scholarship-internship-program/</u>. Our online application requires:

- Personal statement
- 1 page resume
- Letter of recommendation

2023 Internship Sites

• Academic transcript

2023 Scholar Spotlight

"I had a wonderful experience this summer with CAPAL! My experiences as a CAPAL Scholar solidified my interest in public service work. I learned about countless public service career paths, had some great mentors, and made friends with some really inspiring AANHPI students."



Sarah Goldman 2023 Harvard Immigration and Refugee Clinical Program Scholar

