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The Congressional Black Caucus Foundation, Incorporated (CBCF) Leadership Institute for Public Service offers fellowships, internships and scholarships to equip the next generation of leaders for careers in public service. Through the Leadership Institute for Public Service, CBCF fellows and interns work on Capitol Hill and in federal agencies; attend seminars led by policy experts; and gain first-hand leadership experience by working with and learning from members of the Congressional Black Caucus (CBC) and other leaders in Washington, D.C.

The CBCF Leadership Institute for Public Service awards scholarships to students who demonstrate leadership ability through community service and show academic talent and financial need.

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Congressional Fellowship

Program Overview

The CBCF Congressional Fellowship program was launched in 1976 to address disparities in African-American employment on Capitol Hill. This 20-month fellowship program enables participants to receive hands-on public policy training in congressional and committee offices as full-time legislative aides and policy analysts. The CBCF Congressional Fellows take part in policy briefings, roundtable discussions, seminars and training sessions on policy and leadership. Fellows create and implement community service projects, produce policy briefs and a research paper.

To participate in this prestigious fellowship, please apply, describing your interest in education, agriculture, business/finance, criminal justice, defense, environment, government reform, housing, labor or other issues. Special consideration is given to applicants interested in energy policy.

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Eligibility Criteria

- U.S. citizen or permit to work in the U.S.
- Interest in federal policy
- Knowledgeable about the federal legislative process, Congress, the history of the CBC, and the current policy initiatives of CBC members
- Demonstrated interest in public policy and a commitment to improving the quality of life for underserved and underrepresented individuals
- Selected applicants will be young, qualified, African-American or black professionals who have earned a graduate or professional degree

Additional Information

The CBCF Congressional Fellows must reside in or relocate to the Washington, D.C. metropolitan area. Participants are responsible for their own travel, housing, and other associated expenses. All CBCF fellows must participate for the full duration of the program. If selected, applicants are expected to complete all qualifying exams (e.g., bar exams and medical boards), dissertation defenses, and comprehensive exams before the fellowship begins or after the fellowship ends.

Louis Stokes Urban Health Policy Fellowship

Program Overview

The CBCF Louis Stokes Urban Health Policy Fellows program is named in honor of former Congressman Louis B. Stokes, one of the original founders of the CBC and the CBC's Health Braintrust. The primary goal of the program is to increase the pool of qualified, minority health policy professionals who are committed to eliminating health disparities in the United States and abroad. Fellows receive health policy training while working in the office of a member of Congress and on a committee. The CBCF complements the policy training that fellows receive on the Hill with educational enrichment and leadership development opportunities.





Eligibility Criteria

- U.S. citizen or permit to work in the U.S.
- Interest in federal policy
- Knowledgeable about the federal legislative process, Congress, the history of the CBC, and the current policy initiatives of CBC members
- Demonstrated interest in health policy and a commitment to improving the quality of life for underserved and underrepresented individuals
- Selected applicants will be young, qualified, African-American or black professionals who have earned a graduate or professional degree

Additional Information

CBCF Louis Stokes Urban Health Policy Fellows must reside in or relocate to the Washington, D.C. metropolitan area. Participants are responsible for their own travel, housing, and other associated expenses. All CBCF Fellows must participate for the full duration of the program. If selected, applicants are expected to complete all qualifying exams (e.g., bar exams and medical boards), dissertation defenses, and comprehensive exams before the fellowship begins or after the fellowship ends.

Donald M. Payne Foreign Policy Fellowship

Program Overview

The CBCF Donald M. Payne Foreign Policy Fellows Program is named in honor of former CBCF Chairman Donald M. Payne, who was a staunch human rights advocate and vocal supporter of issues affecting the African Diaspora. The fellowship is a 20-month policy training and leadership development program for entry level professionals who are committed to advancing U.S. foreign policy. Fellows gain exposure to the U.S. foreign policy making process as part of their assignment to a CBC member office and work on congressional committees. As part of the program, fellows organize policy briefings and roundtable discussions; attend seminars on policy, politics, and leadership; create and implement a community service project with other CBCF Fellows; and produce policy briefs and a research paper.





Eligibility Criteria

- U.S. citizen or permit to work in the U.S.
- Interest in federal and U.S. foreign policy
- Knowledgeable about the federal legislative process, Congress, the history of the CBC, and the current policy initiatives of CBC members
- Demonstrated interest in public policy and a commitment to improving the quality of life for underserved and underrepresented individuals
- Selected applicants will be young, qualified, African-American or black professionals who have earned a graduate or professional degree

Additional Information

CBCF Donald M. Payne Foreign Policy Fellows must reside in or relocate to the Washington, D.C. metropolitan area. Participants are responsible for their own travel, housing, and other associated expenses. All CBCF Fellows must participate for the full duration of the program. If selected, applicants are expected to complete all qualifying exams (e.g., bar exams and medical boards), dissertation defenses, and comprehensive exams before the fellowship begins or after the fellowship ends.

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Congressional Internship

Program Overview

Established in 1986, the CBCF Congressional Internship Program provides leadership and professional development opportunities to college students from across the nation. Students selected to participate in this nine-week summer program learn about the legislative process and public policy careers. Interns work in CBC member offices, participate in professional development events and take part in leadership training. The program prepares young people to become informed advocates and leaders who shape our world. We are seeking college students pursuing careers in education, public health, business, finance, energy, engineering and other STEM-related fields.

Eligibility Criteria

- U.S. citizen or resident with permit to work in the U.S.
- Demonstrated interest in public service, governance and the policy-making process
- Selected applicants will be qualified, African-American or black college students or recent graduates who reside or attend school in a CBC member district.



Emerging Leaders Internship


Program Overview

The CBCF Emerging Leaders Internship Program, sponsored by Walmart, trains college students to become change agents and future leaders in public service. During this semester-long program, interns work on Capitol Hill or in government agencies, participate in professional development sessions, take part in leadership training and lead community service projects.

We are seeking college students pursuing careers in education, public health, business, finance, energy, engineering and other STEM-related fields.

Eligibility Criteria

- U.S. citizen or resident with permit to work in the U.S.
- Demonstrated interest in public service, governance and the policy-making process
- Selected applicants will be qualified, African-American or black students who are enrolled in a matriculating program or are recent college graduates.

A close-up portrait of Giovanni Mentor, a young Black man with a friendly smile, wearing a dark suit jacket and a white shirt. The background is a soft, out-of-focus brown.

"My experience with the CBCF will never be forgotten. It has without a doubt proven to me that I am able to achieve greatness personally and professionally."

- Giovanni Mentor, CBCF Fall 2014 Emerging Leaders Intern

Communications Internship

Program Overview

The CBCF Communications Internship Program, sponsored by State Farm, is a semester-long program for college students who are interested in learning about press and media relations on Capitol Hill. Interns work with the communications staff in congressional offices and on congressional committees. During the program, interns engage in substantive communications work, including preparing press releases, writing letters to the editor, organizing press briefings, participating in professional development sessions, taking part in leadership training and leading community service projects.

We are seeking college students who are pursuing careers communications, journalism, marketing, advertising, media studies or other related fields.

Eligibility Criteria

- U.S. citizen or resident with permit to work in the U.S.
- Demonstrated interest in public service, governance and the policy-making process
- Selected applicants will be qualified, African-American or black students who are enrolled in a matriculating program or are recent college graduates.



"The CBCF Internship Program reaffirmed my commitment to the communications and new media field. Not only did I receive a unique professional experience working and living on the Hill, but I also created long lasting friendships.

- Cathryn Walker, CBCF Fall 2014 Communications Intern

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CBC Spouses Education

Scholarship Overview

The CBC Spouses Education Scholarship was established in 1988 to provide funds to academically-talented college students. CBC district offices work with local scholarship committees to select scholarship recipients.

Eligibility Criteria

- Preparing to pursue an undergraduate, graduate or doctoral degree full-time or currently a full-time student in good academic standing at an accredited college or university
- Have a minimum 2.5 GPA, exhibit leadership ability and a commitment to community service
- Selected applicants will be qualified, African-American or black students who reside or attend school in a CBC member district

Louis Stokes Scholarship At Case Western Reserve University

Every year, the CBCF awards two Louis Stokes Scholarships to outstanding students who have been admitted to Case Western Reserve University and nominated by a CBC member. The scholarship benefits students who are economically disadvantaged and provides a full-tuition award, renewable for up to five years; a grant of up to \$2,500 to cover the purchase of a computer and books; and assistance securing a paid, summer internship until completion of undergraduate degree.

General Mills Health Scholarship

Scholarship Overview

The CBCF General Mills Health Scholarship was established in 1998 to increase the number of minority students pursuing degrees in the fields of medicine, engineering, technology, nutrition, and other health-related studies. CBC district offices work with local scholarship committees to select scholarship recipients.

Eligibility Criteria

- Preparing to pursue an undergraduate or graduate degree full-time or currently a full-time student in good academic standing at an accredited college or university
- Have a minimum 2.75 GPA, exhibit leadership ability and a commitment to community service
- Preference given to qualified, African-American or black students who reside or attend school in a CBC member district.



CBC Spouses Heineken USA Performing Arts Scholarship

Scholarship Overview

The CBC Spouses Heineken USA Performing Arts Scholarship was established in 2000 in honor of the late Curtis Mayfield to ensure that students pursuing a degree in the performing arts receive financial assistance. Performing arts includes theater, motion pictures, drama, comedy, music, dance, opera, marching bands, etc.

Eligibility Criteria

- Preparing to pursue an undergraduate degree full-time or currently a full-time student in good academic standing at an accredited college or university
- Demonstrated talent in performing arts
- Have a minimum 2.5 GPA and demonstrate academic achievement
- Selected applicants will be qualified African-American or black students who reside or attend school in a CBC member district.



CBC Spouses Visual Arts Scholarship

Scholarship Overview

The CBC Spouses Visual Arts Scholarship was established in 2006 to provide financial assistance to students who are pursuing a degree in the visual arts. Visual arts include architecture, ceramics, drawing, fashion, graphic design, illustration, interior design, painting, photography, sketching, video production, and other decorative arts.

Eligibility Criteria

- Preparing to pursue an undergraduate degree full-time or currently a full-time student in good academic standing at an accredited college or university
- Demonstrated talent in visual arts
- Have a minimum 2.5 GPA and demonstrate academic achievement
- Selected applicants will be qualified, African-American or black students who reside or attend school in a CBC member district



Untitled | Jerilyn James, Carnegie Mellon University, Scholarship Recipient

Louis Stokes Health Scholars

Scholarship Overview

The CBCF Louis Stokes Health Scholars Program, sponsored by United Health Foundation seeks to increase the number of qualified, and underrepresented, college students entering the health workforce. Preference is given to students who demonstrate an interest in working in underserved communities. This program partners recipients with a mentor within the health field to serve as a resource and provide additional support for academic and professional development. Students residing in Arizona, California, Florida, Georgia, Minnesota, New York, New Mexico, Tennessee, Texas, and Wisconsin are encouraged to apply.

Eligibility Criteria

- Preparing to pursue an undergraduate degree full-time or currently a full-time student in good academic standing at an accredited college or university
- Planning to pursue or complete study that will lead to a career in the health field as a primary health care professional.
- Have a minimum 3.0 GPA
- Selected applicants will be qualified, African-American or black students who are currently enrolled in a matriculating program.



China Study Abroad Program

Program Overview

The Emerging Leaders: U.S.-China Study Delegation was launched in August 2014 to provide young African Americans living and/or attending school in CBC member districts with the opportunity to experience Chinese culture and learn Mandarin during a two-week visit to China. Activities include seminars on Chinese culture, history and language and U.S.-China relations; field and site visits; interaction with local students; and tours of cultural attractions.

Through this initiative, the CBCF aims to promote African-American interest in career fields and academic study involving U.S.-China relations, expanding opportunities for African Americans in an era of increasing globalization.

Apply today to join this prestigious program. Describe your interest in natural sciences, technology, engineering, mathematics, international trade, business or energy development.

Selected applicants will be qualified, African-American or black college students who reside or attend school in a CBC member district.



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Emerge 535

Increasing diversity on Capitol Hill

Campaign Overview

Emerge 535 is the CBCF's campaign to place 535 African-American interns on Capitol Hill.

Nearly thirty decades ago, the CBCF initiated our Congressional Internship program to address underrepresentation of African Americans in professional staff positions on Capitol Hill. Diverse voices and experiences among Capitol Hill staff are important when making public policy decisions impacting black communities.

Placing 535 future leaders in congressional internships will:

- Expand academic, leadership and professional development opportunities for emerging, black leaders
- Provide students with first-hand leadership experience, working with seasoned leaders in Congress and in public service careers
- Prepare students to be informed citizens who shape our world

CBCF has a proven track record of developing leaders through our Leadership Institute for Public Service. And to date, more than 500 interns have graduated from the Leadership Institute for Public Service.

- Students leave the Leadership Institute informed about Congress and the public policy process.
- CBCF interns who pursue public policy careers possess institutional knowledge, practical experience and the professional skill sets needed to make a positive difference.
- Graduates of the Leadership Institute for Public Service understand and embrace the CBCF mantra: *I lead. I serve.*

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