“Our department would not have been able to achieve the gains in performance that we have made this year, without the assistance of our IPP interns.”

— Anne McIntyre-Lahner, Director of Performance Management, Connecticut Department of Children and Families

MPA and MPP Graduate Interns to Support Your Work

U.S. News and World Report ranking

9th in Public Finance and Budgeting
38th Public Affairs Program in Nation

Intern Program

Internship and Professional Practice for your agency

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HIGHLY-SKILLED SUPPORT FOR YOUR AGENCY
The Internship and Professional Practice (IPP) Program matches the Department of Public Policy’s second year Master of Public Administration (MPA) and Master of Public Policy (MPP) graduate students in state agencies, municipal government and nonprofit organizations for an entire academic year.

■ 585 HOURS: Graduate Interns work on special projects and provide program support for 15 hours a week for nine months (August 23, 2021—May 22, 2022)—a total of 585 hours for 39 weeks.

■ QUANTITATIVE & ASSESSMENT SKILLS: Most students have completed a year of rigorous graduate study and have developed significant skills in finance and budgeting, research design, statistical analysis, economics, policy analysis, human resources and other key areas of public and nonprofit program management.

■ LOW COST, HIGH YIELD: The cost for an IPP intern to work in your organization is $16,500. We handle all the administrative paperwork and payroll details.

■ THE RIGHT MATCH: You interview the graduate students. Together we find the right match of a skilled student to meet your needs.

■ KEY PROGRAM DETAILS:

• Employers select qualified MPA and MPP students through a competitive application process.
• Classes are held in the evening, which allows the intern to work during the day.

■ TIMELINE (2021)

February 18 Intent to Participate Form Due
This is not a commitment by you, only an expression of intent. You have no obligation until you choose to select an IPP student.

March 22-April 23 Interviews, Selection and Offer Process

August 23 Supervisor Orientation and Your Chosen IPP Graduate Intern Joins the Work of Your Organization
EXAMPLES OF RECENT HOST ORGANIZATIONS:

State Agencies
Center for Public Health and Policy
Department of Children and Families
Department of Economic and Community Development
Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services
Department of Motor Vehicles
Office of Fiscal Analysis
Office of Policy & Management
Office of the State Auditors

Local Government
City of Hartford
City of New London
City of New Haven
Newington School Board
Town of Barkhamsted
Town of Enfield
Town of Mansfield
Town of Newington
Town of West Hartford
Town of Windsor

Nonprofit Organizations
Achieve Hartford!
Excel Bridgeport!
Capitol Region Education Council
Fidelco Guide Dog Foundation
Governor’s Prevention Partnership
Hartford Youth Scholars Foundation
Hartford Boys and Girls Club
Hospital for Special Care
New Haven Promise
Oak Hill
Our Piece of the Pie
Universal Health Foundation
YWCA Hartford Region

WHAT SUPERVISORS ARE SAYING:

STATE AGENCIES
“We are extremely impressed with the caliber of UConn MPA and MPP graduate students. They are all bright, capable and passionate about doing something meaningful with their internships.”
— Barbara Becker, Training Program Coordinator
CT Department of Revenue Services

TOWNS AND CITIES
“Our IPP interns at Newington Public Schools surpass expectations…and have been assets in diverse projects throughout the school district.”
— Pamela Muraca
Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum
Newington Board of Education

NONPROFITS
“Our IPP intern performed like a member of our staff in every aspect. It was as if I was able to hire an additional team member at a fraction of the cost. I highly recommend this.”
— Roxanna Booth Miller
Co-Director and Chief Development Officer Hartford Youth Scholars

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