



THE INSTITUTE OF POLITICS

FOUNDED IN 2013 BY FORMER WHITE HOUSE SENIOR ADVISOR DAVID AXELROD (AB '76), THE NON-PARTISAN INSTITUTE OF POLITICS AIMS TO INSPIRE AND CULTIVATE THE NEXT GENERATION OF POLITICAL AND PUBLIC SERVICE LEADERS.

At the Institute of Politics, we believe that political life can be inspiring again. The future health of our democracy depends on an active, engaged citizenry and on political leaders who believe deeply in serving the public interest over self-interest. Our goal is to encourage young people to become active participants in shaping the future of the communities, the country, and the world in which they live.

Our **Speaker Series** provides a forum for students and political leaders to explore key issues of the day. Recent guest speakers include former Director of the CIA John Brennan, former U.S. Secretary of Housing and Urban Development Julián Castro, Chance the Rapper, Senator Tom Cotton, S.E. Cupp, Alicia Garza, Senator Kirsten Gillibrand, Van Jones, Ohio Gov. John Kasich, former U.S. Secretary of State John Kerry, Karl Rove, Symone Sanders, Representative Adam Schiff, and former White House Press Secretary Sean Spicer. IOP events are free to attend, and most are open to the public.

A **Fellows Program** brings a diverse cohort of elected officials, policymakers, diplomats, activists, political consultants, and journalists to campus each academic quarter for extended residencies. Fellows engage with students and the university community and pursue projects of their choosing. Former Fellows include Atlanta Mayor Kasim Reed, journalist Robert Costa, former senior White House advisor Shailagh Murray, and former senior advisor to Mitt Romney, Beth Myers.

A robust **Career Development Program** provides students with hands-on opportunities and resources to explore careers in politics and public service. Each year the IOP provides nearly 300 paid internships opportunities worldwide in politics, public policy, government, and journalism.

Civic Engagement at the IOP provides pathways for any student to activate their interest in politics and public affairs. Through student-run programming, workshops, treks and trainings, students can develop leadership skills, serve their communities, understand current events, and explore public policy.



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for politics & public service**