Summer Internship Fund

2013 – 2014 Impact Report

UC San Diego School of International Relations and Pacific Studies

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From the Dean



Dear friends,

For all we offer our students in the rigorous classroom setting on campus at the School of International Relations and Pacific Studies (IR/PS), there is nothing like an immersive experience to illustrate what concepts mean in practice. Last year, thanks to the generosity of partners like you, 88 percent of all MPIA and B.A./MIA students pursuing a degree completed a summer internship. Their assignments ranged across all sectors and took them to nearly every continent in the world.

Whether conducting field analysis to understand binational relations, quantifying market access or participating in development strategies, our students earn early entry to the major entities that shape our planet's commerce and conduct. They graduate with valuable perspective and the seeds to a professional network that spans the globe.

Through your investment, you make these experiences possible, positioning our students as leaders from the moment they graduate. We deeply appreciate your partnership, and celebrate this opportunity to share the program's continued success. As we look to attract more of tomorrow's most dynamic professionals, we can count on stories like those that follow as testament to our School's comprehensive value. Thank you.

Warmest regards,

Pet F. Catry

Peter F. Cowhey

Mark Higgins, MPIA '04

Senior Director, Strategen Consulting and Senior Director, California Energy Storage Alliance



"The experience I gained in my internship has translated throughout everything I've done since then. It put me on the professional path I'm on now. I still do quite a bit of work in Australia and New Zealand in my current job as a result of the networks I built and the up-close market knowledge I gained, and will be speaking at a clean energy conference in Australia this fall."

Mark realized there was no close match available between where he wanted to go and what he wanted to do. So he took the initiative to create an internship at the U.S. Consulate in New Zealand. Funding for the position was made possible by the Summer Internship Fund and resulted in lifelong connections. In his current position as a consultant for the clean energy sector, Mark advises new ventures in Australia and New Zealand as well as those closer to home.

Gabriela Manriquez, MPIA '97

Senior Director, Government Affairs, Qualcomm Inc.

"I worked from the first day of summer until the first day of school. It was an unpaid internship with long hours, but I really enjoyed what I was doing. My family — my husband, 7-year-old daughter and myself — were living in student housing at the time, and they had to stay in San Diego. Thus the stipend made a big difference. I could not have done it otherwise."



Gabriela accepted an internship offer from the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) and found herself working steadily toward the enriching career she enjoys today. During her internship, Gabriela worked at the International Bureau of the FCC, which dealt with many issues, including foreign delegations interested in learning about communications policy and regulation by the U.S. government. Gabriela transitioned directly into a related position at a local start-up before graduating, and today serves as Senior Director of Government Affairs for Latin America at Qualcomm Inc.

Shannon Pallone, MPIA '09

Acquisition Program Manager, U.S. Air Force Space and Missile Systems Center



"The internship provided such a safe environment to learn in. Going overseas, the chance that you'd find full-time work for a company like this is so small. The IR/PS internship gave me the chance to explore things I could never otherwise do. It very much informed what I chose to do professionally from that point forward."

Shannon's first experience with the nonprofit sector was through an internship with Warm Heart International in Thailand. She credits it with showing what type of workplace structure would ultimately suit her. After graduation, she was awarded a Presidential Management Fellowship with the U.S. Air Force, where she continues to work today. Recognizing how instructive her experience was in Thailand, Shannon stepped up to provide annual support to the Summer Internship Fund so future generations of students can share the same opportunity.



Paul Spitsen and Daniel Rothstein, MPIA '15, at the U.S. Southern Command (SOUTHCOM)



Nick Erickson, MPIA '15 touring a clean coal plant in Tokyo, Japan



Summer Internship Fund Data

| AMOUNT BY SOURCE | FY '13 | FY '14 | DONORS BY SOURCE | FY '13 | FY '14 |
|----------------------|-----------|-----------|----------------------|--------|--------|
| ALUMNI | \$11, 589 | \$8,086 | ALUMNI | 29 | 30 |
| FRIENDS | \$20, 450 | \$20,975 | FRIENDS | 3 | 4 |
| CORPORATE/FOUNDATION | \$2,000 | \$2,888 | CORPORATE/FOUNDATION | 1 | 4 |
| TOTAL | \$34,039 | \$ 31,949 | TOTAL | 33 | 38 |

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