CBO 2002 Summer Internship

...an incredible learning experience

An internship with the Congressional Budget Office (CBO) provides a unique opportunity to experience firsthand the process of developing legislative policy. The integral, nonpartisan role CBO plays in the policy process fosters an enriching learning environment. Interns work closely with experienced economists and policy analysts to prepare cost estimates, budgetary forecasts, and econometric models and to conduct research and analyze issues. In addition, Congressional lectures and hearings show interns the ins and outs of life on Capitol Hill. Formal and informal seminars by CBO staff also provide insight into CBO's mission and the inner workings of the budget process. These interactions allow interns to develop career-enhancing relationships with one another as well as with CBO staff.

Leonie Huang
Georgetown University
B.S., International Political Economy

Fabian Valencia
Johns Hopkins University
Ph.D., Economics

Kristen Lindberg
University of Texas
M.P.A.

Kirk Kerr
University of Missouri
M.A., Economics

Douglas Gruener
Case Western Reserve University
B.A., Accounting

Eric Smith
U.S. Naval Academy
B.A., Economics

"Health policy shapes the way physicians take care of their patients, and I appreciate the introduction to health policy that CBO has given me. My study focused on identifying health care delivery methods, which constrain costs while providing excellent quality care for high-cost Medicare beneficiaries. This summer has shown me a new side of health care that is not taught in medical school, and I hope to make health policy a part of my career as a physician."

John Koo
Yale University
M.D. and M.B.A.

"My internship experience with CBO has been challenging, exciting, and professionally rewarding. I developed numerous formal cost estimates, one on a program to collect data on benign brain tumors as part of the National Cancer Registry Program and another for a repeal of the Institutions for Mental Disease exclusion under Medicaid. Furthermore, working in Washington, D.C., and being exposed to the educational opportunities at CBO have been invaluable experiences. The CBO interns are a great group of people, and the skill, knowledge, and dedication of the CBO staff have been an inspiration."

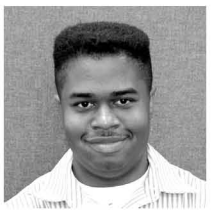
Hallie Torrell
Harvard University
M.P.P./M.P.H.

"My CBO internship has given me the opportunity to apply the econometrics tools and theoretical knowledge that I have acquired through my graduate studies. In a friendly, professional environment, I am working on a project to quantify the cyclically adjusted surpluses and automatic stabilizers for state and local governments."

Eugenio Cerutti
Johns Hopkins University
Ph.D., Economics

"During my internship at CBO I worked on a project that measured the supply curve of higher education financing across different income groups. That project provided an excellent opportunity for me to apply my training in the economics of education toward an issue of great importance. Working under the guidance of three economists whose interests coincided with mine was a wonderful experience that helped prepare me for my future career."

Anthony Fong
Columbia University
Ph.D., Economics of Education



Donavan Wilson
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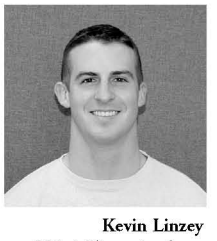

Kevin Linzey
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