

# UCHICAGO GRAD

Helping you navigate your graduate and postdoctoral career

## **GRAD Global Impact (GGI) Pitch Your Own Internship Program 2020 Info Session**



# UChicagoGRAD

## **UCHICAGOGRAD CAREER RESOURCES**

- Career planning and exploration
- Job search advising (academic and non-academic)
- Resume and cover letter review
- Career guides by industry
- Interview and public speaking prep
- Networking and connections with alumni

## **ADDITIONAL UCHICAGOGRAD SERVICES**

- Fellowship advising
- Diversity and inclusion resources
- Discounted business cards
- and more...



# About the GGI Program

The Graduate Global Impact internship program (GGI) provides funded, short-term, project-based opportunities to full-time graduate students at the University of Chicago. The program places students in opportunities where they can use their graduate training and develop new skills in the process of contributing to an organization in a substantive way.

Students who are awarded funding from UChicagoGRAD will receive \$6,000 for ~250 hours of training over 6-10 weeks during the summer. Participants are expected to share project outcomes at the end of their experience and are encouraged to get involved next year to help guide future GGI interns.



# GGI Internship Types

## GGI PITCH

- Students design their own internship experience in coordination with a host organization
- Stipend managed by UChicagoGRAD

## GGI PARTNER

- Partner organizations post internships in GRAD Gargoyle that meet GGI criteria

## GGI MENTOR

- UChicagoGRAD career advisors help you identify and apply for established internship opportunities and serves as a coach throughout



# GGI Partner Internships

- Promotions Coordinator Internship, UChicago Press (Chicago, IL)
- Curricular Development Internship, Chicago Center on Democracy (Chicago, IL)
- Curatorial and Research Internship, Logan Center Exhibitions (Chicago, IL)
- Archival Research and Digital App Development Internship, Center for the Study of Gender and Sexuality (Chicago, IL)
- Research Internship, NPR, *Throughline* (Washington, DC)
- Research Internship, NPR, *Invisibilia* (Washington, DC)
- Interpretive Research Internship, Chicago Architecture Center (Chicago, IL)
- UChiVotes Graduate Internship, Institute of Politics (Chicago, IL)
- Social Media and Communications Internship, *Modern Philology* (Chicago, IL)
- Archive Development Internship, *Modern Philology* (Chicago, IL)



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# GGI Pitch

**Build your own internship and get it funded**



# Developing A Pitch Project

Step 1: Identify a potential host:

- What fields interest you?
- What organizations do work that you admire?
- What kind of role are you curious about experiencing firsthand?
- What skills would you like to develop?



# Developing A Pitch Project

## Step 2: Reach out:

- Contact an employee at your potential host organization
  - Alumni connections
  - LinkedIn
  - Organization websites
- Start a conversation about how you can get involved
- Explain the Pitch program
- Ask if they'd be willing to host you if you are awarded funding.





# Developing A Pitch Project

Step 3: Apply!

Once you have verbal or written approval from your host, you can submit your application to UChicagoGRAD.



# GGI Pitch Application

## RESUME OR CV

- Resume (1-2 pages) preferred, depends on type of opportunity
- Tailored to your internship, highlighting your relevant experience
- Need help? See our resume guide or your career advisor

## COVER LETTER

- 2 page maximum
- What is the relationship between the internship and your academic work?
- How does this opportunity advance your professional goals?
- What would be involved in the project?
- What relevant conversations have you had with host organization?
- What impact would your project have on the organization?

## SUBMIT THROUGH GRAD GARGOYLE

- Jobs > Search > Job ID 66564



# GGI Pitch Timeline

- February 13, 5pm: Applications due
- February 21: Interview invitations sent
- February 24 - March 6: Finalist interviews
  - 20-min interview with two members of the selection committee
- March 13: Conditional awards offered
  - Decisions: Awarded, Not Awarded, Waitlisted
  - Approval of research advisor and/or Dean of Students/DGS required
  - Confirmation with host organization of project plans
- April 19: Award status confirmed
- May 17: Stipend requests issued



# Past GGI Pitch Hosts

America's Media Initiative

Art Institute of Chicago

Australian Earth Laws Alliance

Better Angels

Black Youth Project

British National Formulary

Chatsworth House

Chicago Film Archives

Chicago Reporter

Cincinnati Art Museum

CPOST

DuSable Museum

East Jerusalem YMCA

EduBase

Field Museum

France Heritage

Forest Preserve Foundation

Health Gives Hope

Heshima Kenya

Hudson Institute

Hyde Park School of Dance

Illinois Justice Project

Jewish Voice for Peace

Kulanu

MAKE Magazine

MATTER

Metropolitan Planning Council

Metropolitan Planning Services

Michigan Chippewa Tribe

Musee Bourdelle

Musee d'art Moderne

Musee de Cluny

NAACP Legal Defense Fund

Narrative 4

Newberry Library

NPR's *Invisibilia*

Oriental Institute

Oxfam America

Pattern Labs

Peabody Essex Museum

Programa Velasco

RefugeeOne

San Juan Citizens Alliance

Sex Workers Outreach Project

Sierra Club

Smart Museum

Speeko.co

Southside Community Arts Center

Success of All Youth

The Legacy Project

UChicago Library

UChicago Press

U.S. History Scene

Yazada

XO Feminist Productions



# GGI Support & Expectations

## **PREP SESSION & PAST RECIPIENT PANEL**

- Learn to get the most out of your internship experience
- Meet past GGI Pitch interns

## **RECORD YOUR EXPERIENCE & HELP FUTURE INTERNS**

- Write about the outcomes of your project
- Record a video about your experience
- Volunteer to connect with future interns



# FAQ

**Q: Who is eligible for GGI Pitch?**

A: All currently enrolled full-time graduate students are eligible. Graduating students are eligible, but must be enrolled full-time at the time of application.

**Q: What types of employers are most appropriate?**

A: Nonprofits, government and small start-ups are most common.

**Q: Do I need to inform my research advisor?**

Yes. Your research advisor or committee chair must approve.

**Q: How many Pitch internships will UChicagoGRAD fund?**

A: A limited number, but as many as funding allows. In past years, we have funded between 30-40% of applicants.

**Q: Can a Pitch internship take place during the academic year?**

A: All Pitch internships proposed during *this* application cycle must take place during Summer Quarter. There is now a new, grant-funded academic year Pitch process for the PATHS population of PhD students.



# FAQ

**Q:** I am a past GGI Pitch recipient. May I apply again?

**A:** Past recipients are welcome to apply again. However, your application must demonstrate how the new project differs from the previous one, particularly in terms of skills you will gain.

**Q:** Can I use GGI Pitch for an established unpaid internship?

**A:** Yes.

**Q:** Can I apply for Pitch funding for an existing, paying internship?

**A:** Yes. You must disclose this information in your application. If awarded, UChicago will fund the difference between your pay and \$6,000.

**Q:** Is the award transferrable to other projects/opportunities?

**A:** No, the award must be used for the project in your proposal.



# Questions?

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## **Appointments:**

<https://grad.uchicago.edu/career-development/grad-gargoyle/>

