

A photograph of the Oregon State Capitol building, a large, light-colored stone structure with a prominent central dome. In the foreground, there is a large green lawn and a circular fountain with multiple water jets. Several trees and parked cars are visible around the fountain area. The sky is blue with some clouds.

# Portland Community College District Student Council Legislative Internships

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# What it is

The PCC DSC Legislative Internship program is a unique opportunity for selected students to intern with Legislators in Salem, learn about the Legislative process, and represent the diverse student population of PCC.

The Program is administrated by the DSC Legislative Internship Task Force which includes members from ASPCC, PCC Faculty, PCC Administration, and the DSC.

# Brief History

*The Program began last year as a collaborative vision between DSC member Amy Stevens and PCC Director of Governmental Relations Rob Wagner*

- 3 Cohorts
- 23 Students (with a growing future capacity)
- 14 Legislative Offices
- DSC Funded tuition waivers and stipends at cost of \$4,016 (2014); as well as \$ 4,576 and 3,600+ (2013)

# What the process looks Like today

1. Development
2. Promotion
3. Application
4. Selection
5. Seminar
6. Internship
7. Debrief



# What others have said

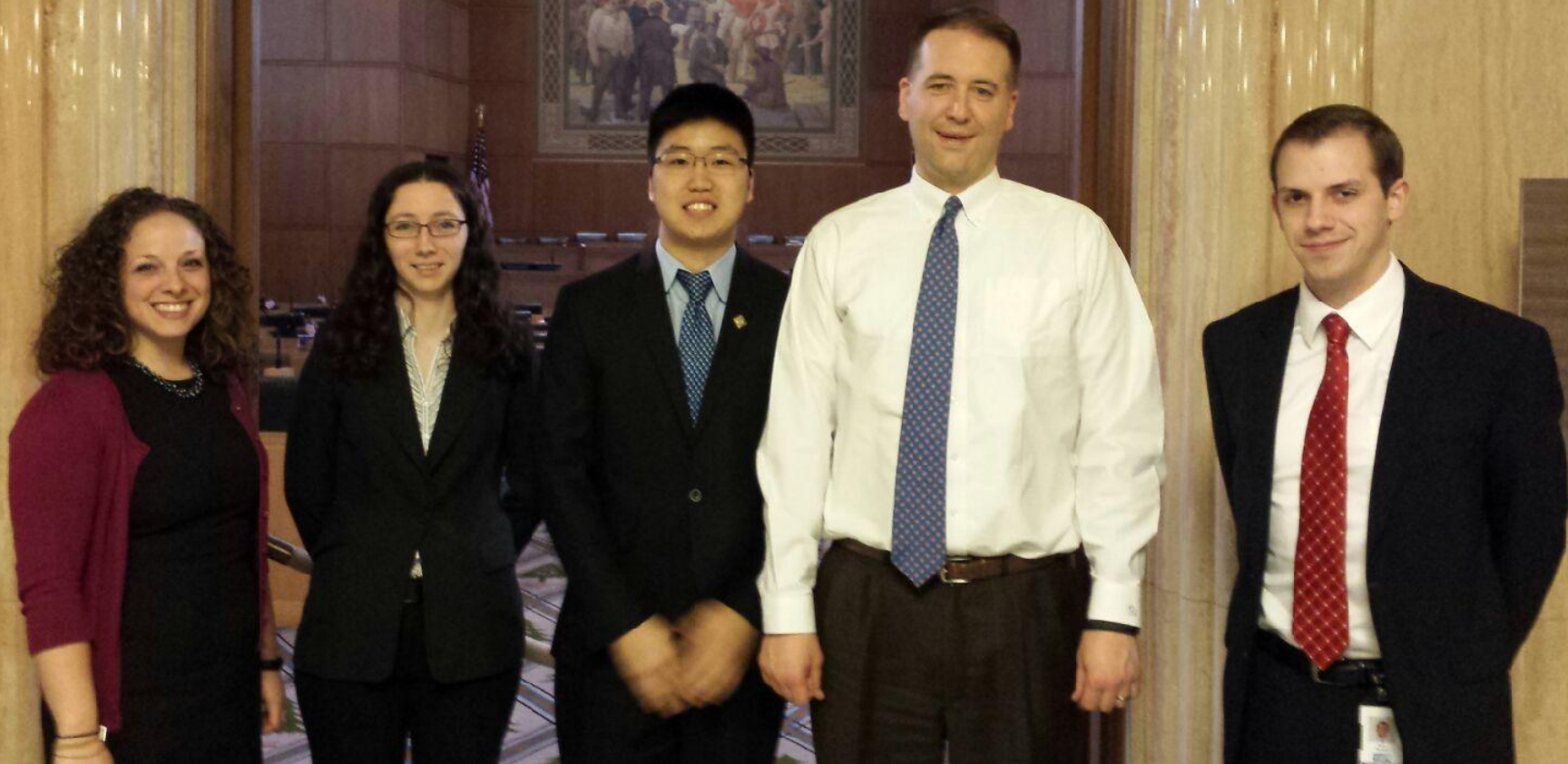
"The PCC Legislative Internship Program has worked out very well for our office...We look forward to having more PCC interns in our office in the future." --Brian Powell, Legislative aid of Representative Tobias Read

"This has been the best opportunity of my life. I have learned so many things and met so many great people, and it is definitely not an experience I will forget." --Lexi Bass, 2013 Intern for Speaker Kotek

"Amazing! This is so wonderful and exactly why I have nothing but good things to say about PCC! It gives community college students an opportunity to really get out there and see that their hard work and progress is [contributing] to a bigger societal realm. Great to see!" --Eileen Mihich (PCC community member, online discussion comment)

"PCC has given me a chance to take the first step in achieving my life's goals...[thanks to PCC and opportunities like this internship] I can now be a more steadfast student advocate and member of the community... I cannot help but feel complete and utter gratitude." --Elizabeth Ackerman, 2014 Intern for Representative Rosenbaum

Daniel Kim





Brandon Kaskawal



Madeleine Galo





# Joel Reyes



# Hope for a secure future

*Institutional and Financial support is critical for the continuation and development of this program*

- Institutional Support: PCC Board of Directors, College Advancement Office, PCC Cascade Political Science Department and the District Student Council
- Financial support: Previous District Student Council funding in the form of Tuition Waivers and Stipends have made this opportunity accessible to PCC students of all circumstance. This funding is not guaranteed for future years.





Questions?





Thank You!