



# PGF POST GRADUATE FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM

The Post Graduate Fellowship Program (PGF) enhances participants' leadership abilities, strengthens professional skills, and produces more competent and competitive Latino professionals. This nine-month paid program offers exceptional Latinos unparalleled exposure to hands-on experience in a variety of public policy areas, which may include: Education, Housing, Health, Law, Finance, and STEM (with a focus on energy and the environment). Participants will complete their first-half placement in a congressional office on Capitol Hill and will have the opportunity to pursue a second-half placement that best matches their policy interests. The range of placements includes congressional offices, committees, federal agencies, the White House, national non-profit advocacy organizations, and government-related institutions. Post Graduate Fellows will also enhance their professional skills by producing a policy brief and organizing a policy briefing on Capitol Hill.

Applicants to the Post Graduate Fellowship Program must have completed a master's degree or JD within two years prior to the program start date.



## SELECTED PARTICIPANTS WILL RECEIVE:

### WORK EXPERIENCE IN WASHINGTON, D.C.

### COMPETITIVE PAY

Amount will vary depending on the year; please refer to the CHCI website for current stipend amounts.

### BENEFITS

- Domestic round-trip transportation to Washington, D.C.
- Health insurance (premium covered by CHCI)
- Optional short-term housing\*
- Leadership training, networking and more

\*CHCI secures and deducts service costs out of stipend.



*"As an immigrant from Colombia, I absolutely never imagined myself walking down the halls of Congress with important people around me, let alone drafting legislation that could potentially impact millions of children nationwide in accessing nutritious school meals. Not only have the opportunities that CHCI has provided are absolutely invaluable to my career as a young professional, but also the personal growth I have seen in myself has truly solidified that this fellowship was the best decision for me. As a CHCI fellow, I have never felt more confident and empowered to continue to advocate for my community."*



**ISABELLA PAZ BALDRICH**

**2021-2022 PepsiCo Foundation Nutritional Health Graduate Fellow**

Budd Lake, New Jersey

Saint Elizabeth University

Master of Nutritional Science

U.S. House Committee of Education and Labor