



**HARVARD UNDERGRADUATE
FOREIGN POLICY INITIATIVE**

SPRING 2025 INFO SESSION

MEET THE CO-PRESIDENTS



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WHAT IS HUFPI?

Our Mission

Harvard Undergraduate Foreign Policy Initiative (HUFPI) is Harvard's premier student-led foreign policy organization, connecting undergraduates of all identities and perspectives to the world of foreign policy decision-making. Our mission is to train the next generation of leaders in diplomacy, defense, national security, intelligence, and development.

Our History

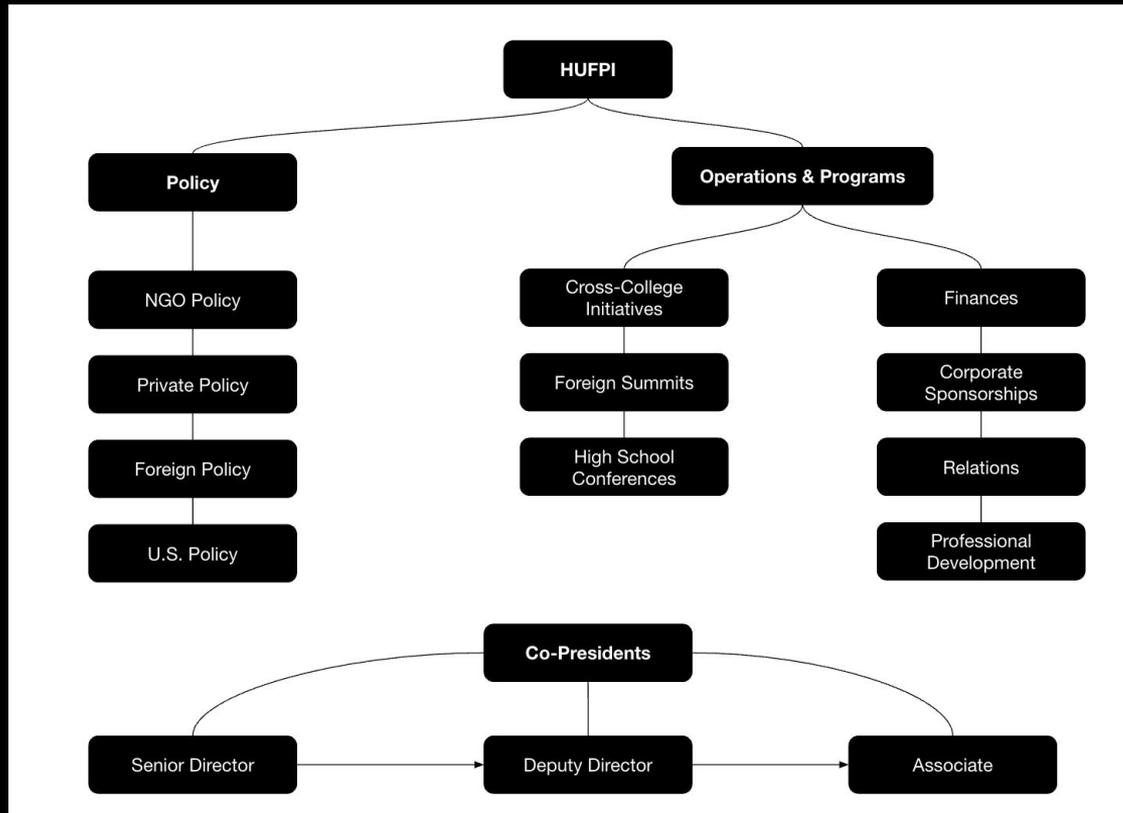
HUFPI was founded in 2019. Since then, our organization has grown to encompass 200+ members. Our alumni are Rhodes, Marshall, Schwarzman, and Carnegie scholars.

Our Impact

70+ consulting projects, 40+ domestic and international trips, and much more to come!



OUR ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE



What do we do?

Hear from our board!



Policy: HUFPI spearheads semesterly research programs in which Harvard students, paired with mentors from the commissioning organizations, engage in critical policy research for influential institutions.

We deliver research for...

FOREIGN GOVERNMENTS



Project Topic: Increasing
Telecommunications
Connectivity in Rural Areas



Project Topic: Applications of
Synthetic Biology



Project Topic: Modeling
a Sustainable Health
Supply Chain in Uganda



Project Topic: TBD

NGOs



Project Topic: TBD



Project Topic: Establishing Effective Blue Corridors in Areas Beyond National Jurisdictions: Strategies and Approaches

PRIVATE ENTERPRISES



CENTRAL TENDENCY

Project Topic: Balancing Act: Governing AI-Driven
Threat Detection in Telecom through Policy
Frameworks for Innovation, Privacy, and Security

Project Topic: Mapping the Drivers of Political
Polarization and Voter Influence in U.S. Primaries

U.S. GOVERNMENT AGENCIES



Project Topic: Defining and Demystifying Publicly Available Information and Commercially Available Information with the Department of Defense



Project Topic: Transitional Justice in Syria: Charting a Path for Accountability and Stability



Operations: HUFPI's Programs and Operations branches drive our growth, member opportunities, and club community. Members gain unique insights into the workings of one of a large policy NGO.

We offer opportunities in...



FINANCES

Associates will manage the organization's **accounting**, **credit management**, and **budgeting**. This role offers a rare opportunity to gain hands-on experience managing a nonprofit's finances with around \$200,000 in annual revenue. In addition to cultivating technical expertise with QuickBooks accounting software, this role explores investment opportunities and offers transferable financial skills.

HIGH SCHOOL CONFERENCES

Associates coordinate HUFPI's annual **high school conferences**, including the Winter Intensive and Summer Programs. This role entails sourcing and connecting with high-profile speakers, creating an agenda for the conference, conducting outreach to potential attendees, researching subjects of importance to conference panels and discussions, and staffing the conference itself. This role is ideal for students interested in developing strong networks within foreign policy and expanding their event management and marketing skills.



PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Associates are responsible for **fostering the career development of HUFPI members**. This role entails collaborating with MCS to establish mentorship programs for HUFPI associates, planning speaker and alumni panels featuring foreign policy leaders, organizing field trips to embassies and think tanks in Boston, and creating internal databases of internships and fellowships.

RELATIONS

Associates will **foster community within the organization and connect HUFPI to broader ecosystems**. This role involves organizing and advertising HUFPI events (including midpoint and final presentations, field trips, team socials, professional events etc.) and managing HUFPI's website and social media. Associates in this branch also closely support the operations of other branches (such as designing the Corporate Sponsorships portfolio, creating promotional materials for Foreign Summits, and creating cover pages for our policy projects).



JOIN AS AN ASSOCIATE

What Is a Policy Associate?

As a Policy Associate, you will join a policy project team, which meets weekly to develop a policy report for a mentor in a commissioning organization. The team consists of a policy chair and associates. At the conclusion of the research, the team will have the opportunity to present their findings to the commissioner, either in-person or virtually.

What Is an Operational Associate?

Our Operational Associates will join one of HUFPI's operational branches. Associates will have the opportunity to lead internal and external growth initiatives, manage HUFPI's finances and corporate sponsor relations, organize research and conference partnerships with foreign universities, and organize events with foreign policy initiatives.



WHAT ARE THE PERKS?

Policy Travel

You can have the opportunity to travel to locations such as Germany, Kenya, and Washington D.C. to advance foreign policy through our policy projects, foreign summits, and cross-college initiatives.

Socials & Parties

We host a number of initiatives to strengthen the HUFPI community, including SibFams, midpoint and final events, and team outings. We have previously hosted a HUFPI cruise!

Policy Bootcamp

All associates will participate in a policy bootcamp to gain exposure to policy research and relevant skills. Past speakers have joined us from the Department of State and Council of Europe.

Networks & Experience

You will have the opportunity to develop close mentorship relationships with policy leaders and gain unparalleled operational experience with a student-run NGO.



WHAT ARE WE LOOKING FOR?

Diversity in Interest

We want you to emphasize what makes you, you. Please discuss unique experiences that have sparked your interest in foreign policy and/or business operations. There is no “ideal” candidate – we want you to express your true selves in your applications.

Critical Thinking

Have you showcased an ability to rigorously explore new topics or improve organizations? We are looking for applicants who can drive innovation and differentiated insights.

Buy-In

HUFPI is a community. We want applicants who will actively contribute to HUFPI’s mission and operations and growth with our organization.



WHAT ARE THE NEXT STEPS?

Diverse Applicants Q&A: Friday, Feb 7 at 7:30 PM, Harvard Hall 102

We are eager to share how we are promoting increased diversity of backgrounds and experiences in our organization.

Application: February 5th to February 11th (Due: 11:59 PM)

You will have the opportunity to express your interest in both policy and operational roles and highlight your project preferences.

Apply here:



Decisions Released: February 12 or 13

Accepted analysts will be invited to attend a welcome party and connect with their teams!



THANK YOU! QUESTIONS?

