

T-Quad Takeaways: Princeton Internships in Civic Service (PICS)

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*CORA's mission is to
work with regional
associations to
engage more
Princeton alumni with
the University and
with one another.*

VOLUNTEER LINKS

Information for
Regional
Association
volunteers online:

- [Regional volunteer resources website](#)
- [Handbook for Regional Officers](#)

SUMMARY

PICS unites alumni, students, and service organizations by offering 8-10 week paid summer internships throughout the US with 501(c)(3)s, elected government officials, and government agencies

KEY LEARNINGS

- PICS Community Partners (CPs) represent many sectors, promote access to varied job functions, and support multiple internship formats
- Students from all class years and many majors participate in the program
- PICS is the only University service program with an alumni mentorship component
- Regional associations can engage with PICS in a variety of ways

INSIGHTS & BEST PRACTICES

- Alumni can volunteer by interviewing student applicants, serving as Alumni Mentors, or sourcing internships
- Regional associations can invite interns to all their summer events, be available to provide career advice and networking opportunities, and hold summer gatherings for PICS students and mentors

CHALLENGES & OPPORTUNITIES

- PICS has had almost double the number of applicants compared to the positions available and is looking to expand its CP base
- The program will add internships selectively and plans to create new regional hubs that align with student demographics
- Alumni and regional associations can help PICS continue to offer a diverse slate of positions in existing as well as new areas in the country

ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

- Visit the PICS website: pics.princeton.edu
- Follow Friends of PICS on Instagram: [@friendsofpics](#)
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