



URBAN LEADERSHIP FELLOWS (ULF) PROGRAM

MISSION

In 1992, the Youth Education Fund Committee of The Municipal Forum of New York developed the Urban Leadership Fellows (ULF) Program with the mission **to introduce talented young men and women to the municipal securities industry and inspire them to pursue careers in the field.**

The ULF Program, which is sponsored by The Municipal Forum and managed by Futures and Options (F&O), is a paid summer internship program for graduating seniors from New York City high schools who have expressed interest in careers in the finance industry.

IMPACT

- Since 1992, more than **415** students have completed internships through the ULF Program.
- The Municipal Forum has awarded more than **\$385,000** in scholarships to program participants.



“The ULF internship program is one of the best out there for high school students.” – Takashi Iwata, Hawkins Delafield & Wood LLP, Internship Site Partner

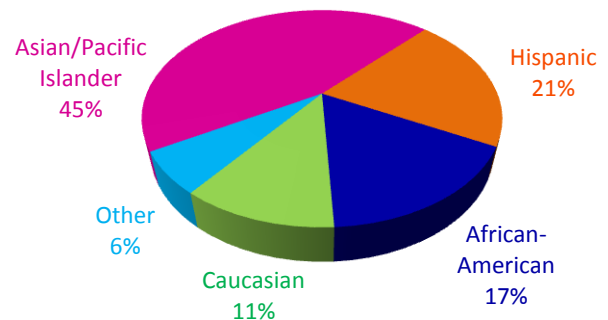
PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

- Internship** – Interns work 35 hours per week and attend all events organized by F&O, including pre-internship orientations, opening breakfast, municipal bond training, public speaking and presentation workshops, work readiness training and closing luncheon.
- Scholarships** – The Municipal Forum awards each student a \$500 book grant at the closing luncheon. Alumni who meet GPA requirements receive a \$1,000 annual scholarship.
- Internship Partners** – A variety of firms host ULF interns, including law firms, financial advisory firms, investment banks, rating agencies and municipal entities.
- Funding** – The Municipal Forum supports the ULF program primarily through funds raised from its Annual Awards Dinner.

STUDENTS

- Students are recruited from college-bound graduating seniors in the New York City Department of Education’s **Academy of Finance** programs and the **Inner-City Scholarship Fund** high schools.
- ULF interns represent minority, multicultural and **underserved** populations:

2009 - 2011 ULF Interns



2011 STATS

- 36** interns at **34** private and public sector entities
- 100%** high school graduation rate
- 100%** college acceptance
- 12** high schools → **25** colleges

SUPPORT THE ULF PROGRAM!

Partner with **The Municipal Forum** and **Futures and Options** to give more New York City students the opportunity to explore a career in the municipal securities industry!

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