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Two University of Dayton programs developing the next generation of public servants received a boost from the AES Ohio Foundation.

The foundation is providing \$25,000 each to the Statehouse Civic Scholars program, an eight-week, summer residential internship opportunity in Columbus, Ohio, and DC Flyers, a similar program in the nation's capital.

- More about the Statehouse Civic Scholars program: Twelve students each year intern in state government offices and with interest groups and lobbying firms, among others. Last year's scholars worked in the offices of the governor, attorney general, secretary of state, speaker of the house, budget and management, and several legislators. Students receive three credit hours, a stipend and accommodation in apartments near state offices. Watch this video with more info about the program.

- More about the DC Flyers: The program is open to University Honors students interested in civic engagement, governance, public policy, human rights, non-profit work or leadership, with preference for students engaged in the UD community and committed to a career in public service. Students receive housing in Washington, D.C., and a fellowship of up to \$3,000 to cover expenses. Students work in federal government or other agencies according to their interest. See past DC Flyers participants discuss their experiences here.

"The support of these and similar UD programs from generous organizations like the AES Ohio Foundation and others help break down financial barriers to experiential learning, such as living expenses for a summer away from home, for our students," said University of Dayton Vice President for Advancement Chris Morrison. "We are thankful for AES Ohio's long standing partnership and support, which includes all 13 years of the Statehouse Civic Scholars program."

The foundation also donated an additional \$4,000 to the University's general fund.

Anyone interested in learning how they can support experiential learning opportunities for University of Dayton students can email Associate Vice President for Advancement Jennifer Foster at [jfoster1@udayton.edu](mailto:jfoster1@udayton.edu).

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