

# **ABOUT POLICY PATHWAYS**

Policy Pathways, Inc., is a non-partisan, 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization that offers educational programs to prepare young people to stand out in academic and career pipelines in public policy, public administration, and policy-related disciplines and fields in the public and private sectors. Policy Pathways provides professional development opportunities for students as well as individuals not enrolled in school.

Young people are aware of the impact of public policies on their lives and the world. More efficient communication, increased information, and the power to mobilize people and resources through social media give youth the tools and platforms to challenge assumptions and long-held beliefs. Yet young people seek new approaches and understanding of complex policy issues. Policy Pathways helps them build leadership skills, analyze ways to influence and cause change, and understand how policies and political decisions affect their daily lives.

## **OUR VISION**

We envision a society in which high-level policy decision-makers are more diverse and in which previously disenfranchised groups and communities have more power, as well as more voice, in policy formation and public policy decisions.

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SUMMER ACADEMY ON LINE POLICY LEADERSHIP & PUBLIC SERVICE POLICY PATHWAYS®

JUNE 26 - JULY 9, 2022

# POLICY MAKES THE FUTURE

# CAN MAKE IT

This engaging and challenging educational program, with hands-on experience, is taught by top professors, policy experts, and leading decision-makers who equip you to think critically about real-world policy issues.

Five core areas of study inform fifteen interlocking modules:



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Critical Thinking Policy Formation Policy Analysis Advocacy and Persuasion The Capstone Project

By working in teams on exciting Capstone projects, you will build creative thinking, critical thinking, communication, collaboration, and citizenship skills. Through the study of policy formation and analysis, economics, public administration, research methods, statistics, critical thinking, advocacy, and persuasive writing, we help you lay the foundation for a future with enhanced academic and career opportunities. Our participant-centered approach to learning offers a rich curriculum including lectures, case studies, practical and handson activities, group projects, and workshops that enhance research, critical thinking, and writing skills.

The Summer Academy Online is a full-time two-week program June 26- July 9, 2022.

Course hours are equivalent to a standard 15-week semester course. Attendance in all program activities is required for the awarding of a certificate of completion. All course content is delivered remotely.



Each participant must have access to a computer and the Internet and should be able to free themselves from outside obligations and distractions.



Applicants must be between the ages of 15-25 (on June 26, 2022). Rising high school sophomores, juniors, and seniors; high school graduates; and community and undergraduate college students who strive for academic excellence through hard work are encouraged to apply.

The admissions committee seeks a wellbalanced cohort that is diverse and inclusive, and whose members will interact well, and meaningfully, with each other and with their teachers.

Your application must include:



To state why you are applying in your own words: include your interests, academic work, and community involvement.

### TRANSCRIPTS

To verify academic enrollment. Standardized test scores are not required.