



2025

DANIELS SCHOLAR JUNIOR FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM

It's Just Common Sense.



ABOUT

COMMON SENSE INSTITUTE

We believe sound fiscal and economic research is essential to uphold Colorado's economy, vitality, future, and individual opportunity.

Founded in 2010, Common Sense Institute (CSI) is a non-partisan research organization dedicated to the protection and promotion of our economy. As a leading voice for free enterprise, CSI's mission is to examine the fiscal impacts of policies and educate voters on issues that impact their lives.

CSI's founders were a concerned group of business and community leaders who observed that divisive partisanship was overwhelming policymaking and believed that sound economic analysis could help people make fact-based and common sense decisions.

CSI operates offices in Colorado, Arizona, Iowa, and Oregon.

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DANIELS FUND

The Daniels Fund, established by cable television pioneer Bill Daniels, is a private charitable foundation dedicated to making life better for the people of Colorado, New Mexico, Utah, and Wyoming through its grants program, scholarship program, and ethics initiative.



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1 THE WHY

Experiential opportunities for students that share Bill Daniels' values are lacking in the public policy and economic analysis arena.

2 THE WHAT

The Junior Fellowship is a competitive educational and leadership opportunity. In addition, they will gain invaluable experience in economic modeling, data gathering, writing, communications, media training, working with dignitaries, and much more

3 WHO

Awarded annually to current Daniels Scholar upperclassman or recent Daniels Scholar graduates (must have graduated in last year). Fellows will be compensated \$6,500 for the duration of the fellowship (\$3,250 per month).

4 WHEN

Fellowship Program will run June 1 - August 1 or can vary pending the scholar's academic schedule. Junior Fellows are expected to work full-time (9AM-5PM M-F) in a CSI office.



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What does this experience entail?

1. Industry Exposure

- Shadow a legislator for a day: Gain firsthand insight into the daily responsibilities and activities of a legislator.
- Observe legislative proceedings, meetings, and constituent interactions.

2. Quantitative Skills

• Receive comprehensive training on the Regional Economic Models, Inc. (REMI) model, a powerful tool for analyzing economic impacts of policy proposals.

3. Mentorship

- Spend time shadowing with a prominent member of the Common Sense Institute (CSI) board.
- Assist with research, communications, and administrative tasks related to community development initiatives.

4. Database Skills

• Acquire proficiency in data base management, including Salesforce, a leading customer relationship management (CRM) platform widely used in various industries including advocacy and nonprofit organizations.

5. Professional Development

- Attend a conference hosted by prominent think tanks such as the American Enterprise Institute (AEI), American Legislative Exchange Council (ALEC), or State Policy Network (SPN).
- Engage in discussions on policy, networking with professionals, and gaining insights into current political trends.

6. Community Engagement

- Participate in 5-10 community engagement activities, including CSI Eggs & Economy events and member presentations.
- Assist in organizing and executing community outreach initiatives to promote dialogue and collaboration.

7. Presentation Skills

Benefit from media training.



HOW TO APPLY

<u>Interested in applying?</u>

<u>Step 1. Complete form at this link:</u> <u>https://form.jotform.com/CSInstituteus/daniels-scholar-junior-fellowship</u>

Step 2. Finalists will be contacted to complete an interview



For more information or questions please email info@csinstituteus.org