AN EXCITING FUTURE FOR THE CLASS OF 2017

Just a few years ago, the University of Chicago College Class of 2017 said “yes” to their offer to study at UChicago. Now, after four years of dedicated study, research, and career preparation, the class said “yes” to an incredible range of fulfilling post-graduation opportunities.

Throughout their journey at UChicago, the Class of 2017 developed the skills and knowledge they needed to build not just a successful career, but a meaningful life. Their innate talents paired with the College’s transformational coursework, research opportunities, and internships proved to be a highly effective combination.

Because of this partnership, 93% of the Class of 2017 has substantive post-graduation plans. These plans include working at leading organizations throughout the United States and abroad, continuing their studies at some of the world’s most respected graduate and professional schools, starting their own businesses, and serving the greater good through organizations like Teach for America.

THE CLASS OF 2017 IS MAKING AN IMPACT AT MORE THAN 400 DIFFERENT ORGANIZATIONS!

CLASS OF 2017
Top 20 Post-Graduation Destinations

1. J.P. Morgan
2. Columbia University
3. Facebook
4. Stanford University
5. Accenture
6. Goldman Sachs
7. Teach for America
8. McKinsey & Company
9. MIT (Massachusetts Institute of Technology)
10. Yale
11. Cornerstone Research
12. Northwestern University
13. McKinsey
14. Harvard University
15. Bank of America Merrill Lynch
16. University of Cambridge
17. Citi
18. Morningstar
19. Google
20. NIH (National Institutes of Health)

100% of the 2017 cohorts of the selective Trott Business Program and Financial Markets Program secured post-graduation plans.

The Class of 2017 received a highly impressive 138 offers from top financial services firms and 122 offers from leading consulting firms.
GOVERNMENT, NONPROFITS, AND PUBLIC POLICY 11%
JOURNALISM, ARTS, MEDIA 5%
HEALTHCARE 5%
OTHER 2%
LAW 3%
CONSULTING 12%
FINANCIAL SERVICES AND OTHER BUSINESS 33%
EDUCATION 16%
STEM 13%

CLASS OF 2017 Industry Outcomes

CLASS OF 2017 Geographic Distribution

UChicago CLASS OF 2017 ACCEPTANCES Top-Tier Law Schools

MEDICAL SCHOOL ACCEPTANCE RATE
UChicago vs. National Average

CLASS OF 2017 Scholarships
Members of the Class of 2017 received several prestigious scholarships and fellowships, including:

• Gates-Cambridge Scholarship
• Goldwater Scholarship
• Marshall Scholarship
• Public Policy and International Affairs Fellowship
• National Institutes of Health General Medicine Sciences Undergraduate Research Fellowship
• National Science Foundation Graduate Research Fellowship
• Yenching Academy Scholarship

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• Critical Language Scholarship
• DAAD Scholarship
• Davis Projects for Peace
• Fulbright Grant

Colin Parts
AB’17, ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES, PUBLIC POLICY; ACCEPTED TO UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO LAW SCHOOL

“My undergraduate career at UChicago prepared me to read, write and think critically about my interests and goals. I was taught to chase my passion and advocate strongly for my ideas. Those lessons have stuck with me and keep me motivated and confident in my abilities.”

UChicago Careers in Law

Patrick Quinn
AB’17, LAW, LETTERS, AND SOCIETY; HIRED AT CIVIC CONSULTING ALLIANCE

“My time at UChicago, and with the Fried Public Policy and Service Program in particular, couldn’t have prepared me better for a career in public service. I was exposed to a wide variety of employment opportunities, given relevant professional skills, and connected to a network which continues to assist me as I work on improving public safety and achieving criminal justice reform in Chicago.”

Fried Public Policy and Service Program

Elizabeth Woo
AB’17, ECONOMICS; ACCEPTED TO YALE UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF MEDICINE

“Being at UChicago, I gained the confidence necessary to be able to be curious and pursue the many intersections of my passions within the context of Medicine. I loved that at UChicago I could start off my day discussing the rationale behind Plato’s Republic, figuring out how to do SN1 reactions in the next hour, solving maximization functions in relation to basic economic models, and end the day with a dining hall discussion on the role of identity in college housing. Without growing under the constant interdisciplinary stimulation at UChicago, I don’t think I would have quite the same motivation or vision and for that, I am very grateful.”

UChicago Careers in Health Professions

Noah Kahrs
AB’17, MUSIC, MATHEMATICS; ACCEPTED TO THE EASTMAN SCHOOL OF MUSIC

“UChicago Careers in Journalism, Arts, and Media treks and internships helped expose me to the wide variety of tasks I’ve faced in music graduate school. Careers in music can involve all sorts of unusual jobs and skills, but through UCUAM I was able to get a good sense of what it takes to put on performances and help run an ensemble, as well as the numerous paths I might take afterwards.”

UChicago Careers in Journalism, Arts, and Media

85% of UChicago 2017 cycle applicants were admitted to medical school, more than double the national average of 41%.

84% of UChicago 2017 cycle applicants were admitted to a top-20 law school.
EXCELLING FROM THE VERY BEGINNING

The Class of 2017 began their path to career success from the moment they arrived on campus. By taking advantage of career advising, job shadowing, RSOs, research, on-campus employment, and other UChicago resources, the Class placed themselves in a strong position for competitive internships and job opportunities.

A GLOBAL NETWORK

From their first internship applications to their final-round job interviews, the Class of 2017 received support from UChicago’s worldwide network of alumni, parents, friends, and employers. The UChicago community hosted hundreds of students at their workplace for treks and internships, donated millions of dollars to fund impactful career programs, and shared their years of experience and expertise. Their generosity has inspired the class to pay it forward to the next generation.

GETTING EXPERIENCE

After exploring their possible career paths, the Class of 2017 gained hands-on experience in their field of interest through Career Advancement resources such as the Jeff Metcalf Internship Program. By participating in these programs, students gained the skills and experience needed to thrive in today’s job market. Students worked directly with employers to apply all they had learned in the classroom. Every year, UChicago offers:

- **Career Advancement Programs**:
  - **Career Treks**: UChicago students have traveled to dozens of cities across five continents for site visits with employers in their fields of interest.
  - **Job Shadowing Opportunities**: Job shadowing allows students to visit established professionals in the workplace, expand their network, and begin building up their resume.
  - **Metcalf Internships**: Through the Jeff Metcalf Internship Program, students gain employment experience with leading organizations in a diverse range of fields.

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Alumni, parents, and friends gave more than $25 million to support career programs during the Class of 2017’s four years in the College.

100%

During their first year, every Class of 2017 student received an assigned career adviser to support their professional growth and development.

Anna Gregg
AB’17, CINEMA AND MEDIA STUDIES; ATTENDED JOURNALISM, ARTS, AND MEDIA TREK TO LOS ANGELES; HIRED AT FX NETWORKS

“The trek to Los Angeles was a fantastic contribution to my job preparation. I sincerely valued the opportunities that I was allowed via the trip. The most productive aspect of the trek, for me personally, was meeting many different alumni and employers that spanned the ever-widening industry of entertainment.”

Kritin Deshpande
AB’17, ECONOMICS, PUBLIC POLICY; SHADOWED AT BMO HARRIS BANK; HIRED AT BANK OF AMERICA MERRILL LYNCH

“Job shadowing was an extremely rewarding experience for me. I was able to benefit immensely from my host’s experience in finance, including investment banking. The opportunity has allowed me to make lasting contacts and expand my network in an industry that interests me.”

Jonathan Seiden
AB’17, PSYCHOLOGY, COMPARATIVE HUMAN DEVELOPMENT; INTERNED AT NEW YORK LEGAL ASSISTANCE GROUP; HIRED AT NYC MAYOR’S OFFICE OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE

“My daily tasks and projects mostly consisted of supporting patients with debilitating diseases with outstanding legal issues. Seeing and participating firsthand in this form of public service will be an experience that I always remember and will certainly inform my career decision in the future with regard to public service and the importance of legal representation and assistance for the underserved.”
THINKING ABOUT THE SPECIFICS

Many students pursued their interests in particular career paths in depth through the supportive structure of the “UChicago Careers In” programs. Through these expert-led, pre-professional programs, students received individualized guidance on their career plans, pursued experiential opportunities available in their intended fields, and connected with a network of professionals currently working in those industries.

Jessica Gartenstein
AB’17, PUBLIC POLICY; CO-FOUNDED FRÖNEN FOODS

“The UChicago Careers in Entrepreneurship program at UChicago changed my outlook on my career path and my future aspirations. The prospect of creating a company always excited me but I never thought that I could because I did not know where to start. UCIE provided me with the necessary foundation to turn an idea from a passion into a reality.”

UChicago Careers in Entrepreneurship

Haozhe Shan
AB’17, PSYCHOLOGY; ACCEPTED TO HARVARD UNIVERSITY

“My time at UChicago was definitely the formative years of my research interests. With support from UChicago Careers in STEM, I was able to pursue independent research projects that helped me decide if I wanted to become a researcher and what I would like to focus on.”

UChicago Careers in Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math

Mary Vansuch
AB’17, ECONOMICS, STATISTICS; HIRED AT TEACH FOR AMERICA

“UChicago Careers in Education Professions exposed me to a wide variety of professions involved in the education system. My research opportunities in the economics department gave me an academic interest in education, but it was through UCEPs programming that I was able to talk with people in the field. I quickly realized there is no substitute for being in a classroom, so I became a 2017 Teach for America corps member teaching middle school math in DC Public Schools.”

UChicago Careers in Education Professions

Victoria Monteiro
AB’17, POLITICAL SCIENCE; HIRED AT BANK OF AMERICA MERRILL LYNCH

“The Trott Business Program gave me an exclusive view into the fields I was interested in and connected me with the resources to land the job. From Career Treks in London and Brazil to the Mock Interview Program, I received invaluable mentorship and preparation to secure internships in Marketing, Consulting and Investment Banking. I could not have done it without the support of Trott.”

Trott Business Program