## Training & Internship Scheme 2025







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## About I have a voice (IHAV)

We're a social enterprise that supports young people from under-represented backgrounds to develop the skills and experience they need to thrive in careers related to the policymaking process.

We work with hundreds of young people, each year, to increase their political knowledge and to raise awareness of the employment opportunities available in the political sphere.

By getting involved with IHAV's initiatives you'll have access to a diverse, highly motivated and competent talent pool.



#### Our Voices have been Heard





We have run our flagship

### Putting Politics into Action

course with over 900 students.



young people have engaged with our voting and elections workshops.



We set-up an Ambassador programme that

supports over

80

young campaigners.

Delivered climate action to over



3,000

people as part of the

### Young Green Britain Challenge



Lobbied an MP to raise **Parliamentary Questions** about fast-fashion and an <u>Early Day Motion</u>.



Coverage in The Independent, Times Higher Education, Politico, PR Week, BBC (regional), Telegraph & Argus and SW Londoner.

Held careers events with over 425 young people and hosted a number of interviews with politicians that have been watched by over

1,800 People.



We have set-up a careers hub and providedcareer mentoring for

100 university students.

### Together we will....



Deliver a week of public affairs-related training to young people in June 2025.

Offer a number of the trainees paid internships from July 2025.

IHAV will provide ongoing support throughout the internship and continue to organise workshops and networking opportunities for the trainees and participating organisations.

# Recruitment & on-boarding timeline



#### END OF JULY

Applicants will find out whether they have been successful in their application for an internship and arrange start dates.

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#### MAY

Deadline for emailing us to confirm your interest in the scheme

#### MAY

We will contact all applicants to inform them whether they have received a place on the scheme or not.

#### JUNE 2ND -JUNE 6TH

The week training programme will take place in London.

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### JULY

JUNE -

We will help those that are interested in to apply for internships with our partners.

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**APRIL-MAY** 

Host information

sessions for

applicants

## Training Scheme Structure

- Sessions will run Monday Friday between roughly 9am and 4:30pm
- The scheme will be at least 80% in person, visiting the offices and meeting the teams of each of our partners.
- The scheme is very practical, you will develop a policy campaign to pitch.
- If you are interested in applying for one of the internship positions, you must be able to attend at least 4 full days.



## Training Scheme Structure

- Understand the issue and come up with solutions
- Learn about pressure groups and research campaigns
- Map stakeholders and understand their impact on your campaign
- Messaging and communication
- Understand parliamentary mechanisms and processes





## Partners

All opportunities are paid at London Living Wage

GK Strategy
Offering 2 week work
experience placement

Weber Shandwick
Offering 3 month
internship

Denton Global Advisors Offering 3 month internship







"Things are really starting to fall into place and I mean it from the bottom of my heart when I say I could not have gotten this far without your help and the programme." "Thank you so much for all the help and support you have given me - joining IHAV was life-changing for me. I was able to consolidate why I wanted to break into this industry, and get support to secure my first role in the sector." "I have a voice creates an atmosphere that is inclusive and allows our voices to be amplified! It has also laid the foundation into a career that I want to soon pursue."

## Testimonials

From the young people we've supported through our existing programmes





#### Pierre,

It's a transformative experience that equips you with valuable skills, insights, and connections in the world of public affairs. Not only will you gain practical experience and build a strong portfolio, but you'll also have access to paid internships, mentorship, and long-term support to kickstart your career.







#### Thayeeba

The training and internship scheme has been absolutely instrumental for my career. It served as a solid foundation upon which I've developed my skills and knowledge. The structure of the internship coupled with the opportunity to put my learnings into practice helped me gain invaluable insights into policymaking processes and public affairs. This allowed me to confidently navigate the different opportunities across politics, policy and public affairs and essentially helped me secure my first role.





Olivia

I enjoyed how the scheme connected me with students or recently graduated students that were also really passionate about politics. I learnt a lot from connecting with them, working together and building friendships while meeting with industry professionals across a wide variety of sectors that inspired me for my future career.



Ellwood Atfield Weber Shandwick Lambeth Council



Walcot Foundation | Postcode Lottery Trust | UK Finance

GK Strategy WA Communications Bradford Council

National Citizens Service Hanbury Strategy

Joseph Rowntree Democracy Fund NHS Confederation

Green Britain Foundation

Goldsmith's University

Astellas Pharmaceuticals

National Grid CIPR

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