
Invest in the Future— Give to Cato



The Cato Institute is consciously and actively engaged in connecting with upcoming generations. If our society is to have any chance of remaining free and prosperous, we must effectively counter the “government solves all” message of our present educational system. Infusing in the next generation love of liberty and respect for the transformative power of free markets and the rule of law is critical to Cato’s commitment to preserving and expanding free, open, and civil societies.

Our array of carefully crafted student programs includes Cato’s highly competitive semester-long internship program. We offer this signature program for students three times annually—in the fall, spring, and summer. Assigned to specific policy departments based on their interests and backgrounds, students are able to work one-on-one with scholars and staff on constitutional issues, health care, foreign policy, media, and more. Along with training on writing and interview skills, interns also participate in a tailored program of educational research seminars which address libertarian history, economics, political philosophy, law, and public policy issues.

A great many students and young people also choose to attend Cato University, an intensive weeklong introduction to libertarianism. Most participants find Cato University to be an enjoyable, sometimes life-changing, experience. Support from our Sponsors currently allows us to offer scholarships—the Bastiat Scholars program—to 50 students. These lucky students are able to attend with no cost for registration, meals, lodging, or ma-

terials—and there is no limit on the number of scholarships we could fill!

Another big component of our portfolio is our in-person briefing program. Thousands of students study in D.C. at local colleges, while others come to Washington on field trips or semester-long programs. Cato offers robust, customized briefings that include presentations by our policy scholars, an introduction to the fundamentals of libertarianism, and an overview of the role of think tanks in public policy.

So, if you would like to invest in the future, give to Cato! Consider funding a Bastiat scholarship so that a promising young person can attend Cato University. Or make a donation that is earmarked for Cato’s powerful intern program. Or, perhaps, include Cato in your estate plan by making a bequest to Cato. Cato welcomes both unrestricted and restricted bequests: an unrestricted bequest allows Cato to determine the best use for your gift, whereas a restricted bequest lets you make the choice. So, for example, you could specify that your bequest be used to promote and grow Cato’s student programs.

Whatever option you choose, you can be sure that your gift or bequest will leave a lasting legacy of freedom. Planned gifts literally “touch” the future and help ensure that generations yet to come will know the prosperity and peace bestowed by a civil society. ■

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