

Become a

CID STUDENT AMBASSADOR

Are you passionate about International Development? Do you want to connect with top researchers, policymakers and practitioners in the field? Do you thrive in an entrepreneurial environment? If you answered yes, you should become a CID Ambassador!

CID's Student Ambassador Program offers students who are passionate about international development an opportunity to get involved in the center through its research projects, expert conferences, and outreach efforts, etc. as it seeks to spread research ideas into the world of practice. Ambassadors volunteer their time with the Center by performing a variety of tasks including helping to plan the Graduate Speaker Series each semester, selecting and interacting with high level visitors, writing-up blogs and interviewing CID guests—helping to promote innovative ideas on international development. CID will select *six* students to be part of the program during the academic year.

Who is a CID Student Ambassador?

A CID Ambassador is a Harvard student, graduate or undergraduate, who is committed to and passionate about international development. Ambassadors come from a variety of disciplines, are highly motivated and eager to help promote the work and research of CID amongst their peers across Harvard schools. They serve as liaisons between CID and the student community.

What are the benefits of being a CID Student Ambassador?

- Opportunity to sharpen interpersonal and communication skills by interacting with a variety of audiences including high level practitioners, academics, politicians and more
- Opportunity to meaningfully contribute and shape events oriented to students (i.e. suggest topics/speakers for Graduate Speaker Series, other special events)
- Access to “invitation-only” events, such as CID's Global Empowerment Meeting (GEM), with an opportunity to network with policymakers from around the world, and CEOs of multinational firms.
- Develop an invaluable network, opening doors to future career possibilities, including summer internships at CID, and entities such as World Bank, Oxfam, USAID, as well as governments around the world, etc.

This is an unpaid volunteer position

What are the responsibilities of a CID Student Ambassador?

Specific responsibilities will depend on the type of CID activity assigned. Some examples of the type of support Ambassadors could provide include:

- Greet high-level guests and serve as “host” during their visit to CID and Harvard
- Introduce speakers, keep time for panels and take attendance at events
- Assist with set-up and organization of materials for events
- Register guests at special events
- Take notes during high level CID conferences & weekly Graduate Speaker Series

Ambassadors are always expected to:

- Show-up on time to an assigned activity and follow through on commitments
- Carry out all activities with outmost professionalism and tact
- Enthusiastically promote the work of CID amongst peers and social networks
- Collaborate closely with the Events and Outreach Manager, and other CID key staff and fellows.

What are the “must-haves” of a CID Student Ambassador?

- Passion for international development
- Desire to learn about and promote CID’s work
- Desire, ability, and willingness to interact with high level guests
- Positive attitude; excellent problem solving and communication skills
- Availability and flexibility to support 1-2 events per term and to participate in an induction and monthly check-ins with CID and other Ambassador peers during the academic year.

How to apply?

- The application period runs from September 7th- 23rd, 2016. Send an email to cid@harvard.edu with the subject line “Ambassador” stating why you would like to be a CID Ambassador and outlining specific skills you have that will contribute to this role. Please include your CV, and also give a sense for the time commitment you have available.