

MEET THE 2018 FOX SCHOLARS

On May 2, 2018 the James P. Fox Memorial Fund marked its first milestone in continuing the legacy of its namesake, Jamie Fox, with the induction of the first Fox Scholars of the Jamie Fox Scholars Program at The College of New Jersey (TCNJ). The program gives students, especially those without a network of public sector contacts, a track into public service and access to a seasoned public service mentor who provides them with advice and guidance.

HEATHER ATAMIAN, CRIMINOLOGY

Mentor: Kay Elizabeth Li Causi, President & CEO, Hoboken Strategy Group, Inc.

"As a criminology major, one of my highlights was shadowing a county prosecutor. That experience and talking with my mentor helped me think more about my career path. I received invaluable advice and feedback from a range of professionals."



DILLON MCNAMARA, POLITICAL SCIENCE/PUBLIC POLICY ANALYSIS AND MANAGEMENT

Mentor: Doug Hritz, River Crossing Strategy Group

"I learned that the power of connections and networking are what get things done. I watched Doug in the Statehouse and saw how he leveraged that. My highlight was meeting Governor McGreevey. He gave me honesty advice and encouraged me to be deliberate in my career choices and to think of where I want to be not only now, but in 10 years from now."

NANCY RAE PIETROBON, SOCIOLOGY

Mentor: Diane Scaccetti, Commissioner, New Jersey Department of Transportation

"I was thinking of working for a nonprofit, but after this experience I realized I could work in government and be a voice for people with disabilities and women. My highlight was watching the Commissioner answer questions at a budget hearing. She taught me how you speak is just as important as the content."



DANIEL NASON, SENIOR, ECONOMICS

Mentor: Kevin Hagan, Princeton Public Affairs Group

"I wanted to do something related to policy. Then I learned that all the theories you learn in school are not the driving force for policymaking. Policy has to do with passionate people working diligently and tirelessly for causes they believe in. That's what Jamie did – I know this because the first thing my mentor asked me to do research him."

CORINNE WINTERS, INTERNATIONAL STUDIES

Mentor: Danielle Alpert, River Crossing Strategy Group

"You shake a lot of hands and have to remember a lot of names and faces. Through this I learned that you need to show people you know who they are. This experience also opened my eyes to opportunities at the local and state level that I never thought of as an International Studies major."

