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*"The LSC [fellowship] program was the perfect place to start my career after college. The information I learned and the people I met during the [fellowship] have opened doors and provided opportunities that wouldn't have been there otherwise."*

*-Amy Borrer*



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*"My graduate work often focuses on the role of communication as a means of establishing and maintaining power in a democratic society. Firsthand knowledge of state government, through the LSC [fellowship] program, has given me a very grounded perspective from which to begin my academic inquiries."*

*-David Coon*



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*“The LSC [fellowship] is an invaluable opportunity to work in and learn about state government. It is an excellent stepping-stone to future job opportunities.”*

*-Rachel Walsh*



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*“I was able to get good experience in state government through my [fellowship]. It allowed me to get into a career position I would not have otherwise been able to be in.”*

*-Jason Phillips*



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*“After my [fellowship], I took a position working for The Hauser Group, a small public relations firm in Washington, D.C.”*

*-Tyler G. Prell*



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*“Exposure to state government through the [fellowship] helped me to decide that I want to spend my career in public service.”*

*-Maria Seaman*

*“I learned the legislative process backwards and forwards for all levels of government [during the LSC [fellowship] program]. I learned how to read, write, and interpret Ohio law. I learned where to go to get hard questions answered—regarding government. I made good friendships.”*

*-Mike Shelton*



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*“I think this [fellowship] gives you great flexibility in choosing a career. The LSC [fellowship] program is a year of intense legislative work with great amounts of responsibility. You are able to see if you really enjoy this type of work or not. If you decide to move on after your time in the [fellowship], you benefit by all the contacts and work experience gained. It truly is a winning situation all around.”*

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*“Participation in the LSC [fellowship] program afforded me the opportunity to participate in the legislative process from the inside/out. It is an experience that has forever changed my life and has proven useful in my endeavor to master the political process at all levels of government.”*

-Nina Turner

*“The [fellowship] program gave me an inside view on the workings of state government and the legislative process in Ohio. After graduating from a law school that emphasized careers with big law firms and big salaries, the LSC [fellowship] was a refreshing perspective. For me, it proved that there were other, more idealistic and satisfying options for an attorney.”*

-Ellen H. Weston



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*"I was provided the chance to explore job opportunities and network with former [fellows] more easily under the mentorship and reputation of the [fellowship] program."*

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