Fostering Excellence in Leaders for the Common Good

WHAT WE DO

Scholarship. We support research that advances public leadership pedagogy and praxis.

Education. We support programming and teaching tools for leadership development.

Community. We provide learning opportunities for those aspiring to teach and practice public leadership.

Center for Public Leadership

CPL is committed to inspiring and enhancing the capacity for principled, effective public leadership in government, politics, civil society, and business through scholarship, education, and community.

We are a community of students, scholars and educators, practitioners, staff, and alumni working to bridge theory and practice to empower, train, and foster exceptional leaders who motivate and mobilize collaborative action across differences for a common good.
Our Community at Work

A global hub for leadership learning, CPL’s programs include:

- **Graduate Student Fellowships**: CPL is home to fellowship programs offering vital tuition support and a close-knit cohort experience to over 130 students annually.

- **Public Leadership Co-Curricular Program**: CPL’s Co-Curricular Program offers specialized leadership development opportunities to all HKS students through peer cohorts, workshops, and intensives.

- **Hauser Leaders Program**: Hauser Leaders are high-level practitioners from across all sectors who nurture the next generation of public leaders on campus through advising, speaking in and out of the classroom, and sharing expertise.

- **The Leadership and Happiness Laboratory**: The LHL conducts integrative research and creates educational resources for leaders in all sectors to learn the science of happiness, apply it in their own lives, and share it with others.

- **Negotiation and Conflict Resolution Collaboratory**: NCRC trains leaders in the business, government, and nonprofit sectors with skills found at the critical intersection of negotiation and leadership.

- **Practicing Democracy Project**: PDP enables people to work together to develop leadership, build community, and create power to fulfill the democratic promise of equal, inclusive, and collective agency.

- **Social Innovation + Change Initiative**: SICI develops research and educational programs that help students, citizens, and organizations initiate and implement social change.

- **William Monroe Trotter Collaborative for Social Justice**: The Trotter Collaborative employs applied research to promote citizen activism and nonpartisan policy solutions to civil rights and social justice issues.