

DAVID ECCLES SCHOOL OF BUSINESS

# IVORY experiences

at the Kem C. Gardner Policy Institute

The Ivory Experiences provide undergraduate students a unique opportunity to interact and learn from Utah's preeminent public policy institute and prominent business and community leaders. Each semester, 15 undergraduate students will be selected to take part in the Ivory Experiences.

## Ivory Experience Opportunities

- Community Leader Lunches: Monthly in-person meetings with Utah experts sharing insights on issues impacting our state and nation.
- Day on the Hill: Meetings with legislators and staff members from the Governor's Office and Utah State Legislature
- Career Skills: Learn skills and tips to succeed in the workforce
- Newsmaker Breakfasts: Monthly events with decision-makers and business leaders
- Mentoring from Gardner Institute staff members

## Who qualifies?

- Undergraduate students, any major
- Must hold a 3.0 GPA
- Show involvement or interest in public policy

## How to apply

- Submit a letter of interest and resume to [nick.thiriot@utah.edu](mailto:nick.thiriot@utah.edu). **Deadline: January 16, 2026**

## Benefits

- Witness the intersection of academia and action
- Learn about the Utah economy and demographics from leading professionals
- Be mentored by economists, demographers, political scientists, sociologists, and statisticians
- See how decision-makers make Informed Decisions™

Spring Semester 2026						
January 2026						
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<b>23</b> Community Leader Lunch 12 pm, Thomas S. Monson Center						
February 2026						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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<b>18</b> Newsmaker Breakfast 8 am, Thomas S. Monson Center <b>20</b> Community Leader Lunch 12 pm, Thomas S. Monson Center						
March 2026						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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<b>18</b> Newsmaker Breakfast 8 am, Thomas S. Monson Center <b>20</b> Community Leader Lunch 12 pm, Thomas S. Monson Center						
April 2026						
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<b>15</b> Newsmaker Breakfast 8 am, Thomas S. Monson Center <b>16</b> Day on the Hill 12 pm, Utah State Capitol <b>17</b> Community Leader Lunch 12 pm, Thomas S. Monson Center						

Thank you to the Ivory Foundation for underwriting this initiative

*"I benefitted tremendously from my experiences as part of the Ivory Experiences cohort this Spring. Although my time was cut short, the highlight of the program for me was getting to know and working together with my mentor at the Policy Institute. We developed a strong relationship and I was able to ask for a letter of recommendation towards the end of the semester that helped me secure a competitive internship for this summer."*

Ivory Experience Student, Spring 2020

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