Congressional Hispanic Leadership Institute

“Advancing the Hispanic Community’s Diversity of Thought”

2007 Ford Motor Company CHLI Internship Program

Application materials also available online at www.chli.org
Dear Student:

As Chairman of the Congressional Hispanic Leadership Institute (CHLI), I am delighted to invite you to apply for the 2007 Ford Motor Company CHLI Leadership Program. Please take a moment to consider participating in one of the most promising summer internship programs available to young Americans of Hispanic and Portuguese descent.

The Ford Motor Company CHLI Leadership Program offers a unique internship experience for students to develop their personal, educational, and leadership skills. This exciting six-week internship program offers invaluable exposure to the inner workings of the United States Congress, the Federal Government and Washington, DC-based think tanks and international institutions.

Eight students from the states of California, Florida, Texas and the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico will be selected and placed with Members of Congress who share the aspirations and goals of the Institute.

CHLI is a 501 (C) (3) not-for-profit and non-partisan organization dedicated to creating a broader awareness of the diversity of thought, heritage, interests and views of Americans of Hispanic and Portuguese descent. The establishment of CHLI serves as a strong testament to the vibrant growth and increasingly important role of our nation’s largest minority community.

In creating new opportunities, CHLI serves our youth, families, communities and the nation as a whole by offering a new vision of the American dream based on the virtues of self-reliance, entrepreneurship, and faith.

As future leaders of our community, I encourage you to seriously consider the Ford Motor Company CHLI Leadership Program. Please visit our website at www.chli.org to download an application. You are assured an unforgettable and rewarding experience that will enhance your academic, personal and professional development. I look forward to personally welcoming you this summer.

Cordially,

Hon. Lincoln Díaz-Balart
Chairman

“We are excited to be working with the Congressional Hispanic Leadership Institute on this innovative leadership initiative.”
Raquel “Rocky” Egusquiza, Ford Motor Company

“I would absolutely recommend the Ford CHLI Internship Program to friends. The opportunities and experience that I gained are invaluable.”
Victor Cota, 2006 Ford CHLI Intern
Established in November 2003, the Congressional Hispanic Leadership Institute (CHLI) works to promote alternative approaches to the challenges faced by more than 40 million Americans of Hispanic and Portuguese descent living in the United States today. Through educational partnerships and events, CHLI provides opportunities for discussion and exploration of strategic solutions for community challenges that in turn benefit the nation as a whole.

**Ford Motor Company CHLI Leadership Program**

In the summer of 2004, Ford Motor Company and CHLI welcomed its first class of interns to this highly promising leadership program. As a commitment to advancing the next generation of Hispanic and Portuguese American leaders, Ford Motor Company and CHLI combined forces to create this innovative program as a means to provide leadership training and mentoring opportunities to a group of promising students. College students, representative of the rich diversity found within our nation’s largest minority community, take part in an intensive six-week internship program in Washington, DC. This program consists of professional leadership development workshops, exposure to key federal departments and agencies, national advocacy groups, think tanks, as well as important diplomatic and international organizations. Interns are placed in congressional offices and meet regularly with key Hispanic and Portuguese Americans appointed and elected officials from across the United States.

Eight undergraduate university students will be selected to participate in the 2007 Ford Motor Company CHLI Leadership program. Participants will travel to Washington, D.C. to take part in a six-week internship program consisting of professional leadership development workshops while learning about local and state government, federal government, national advocacy organizations and policy development. Interns will have the opportunity to interact with appointed and elected officials, as well as other community members and leaders from across the country.

**To apply, applicants must:**

- Be U.S. citizens or Legal Permanent Residents of Hispanic or Portuguese Origin.
- Be residents of and/or attending college in the following states: California, Florida, Texas or the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico.
- Be enrolled in an accredited four year university or two year community college.
- Submit a completed application form, personal statement, legislative analysis, resume, two letters of recommendation and official transcripts.

**Program Dates:**

- Start date: June 18, 2007
- End date: July 27, 2007

**Compensation:**

- Air fare and housing accommodations during Washington, D.C. stay
- $2,000 stipend
- Dell Laptop Computer
- Metro card provided

**Program Calendar:**

**Application deadline:** March 1, 2007
**Notification:** Mid- April
**Program begins:** June 18, 2007
**Program ends:** July 27, 2007
# 2007 Ford Motor Company CHLI Leadership Program

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**Date of Birth:**

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Personal Statement: In approximately 1250 words describe the family, work, educational and community experience that led you to apply to the CHLI Leadership Program. How do these experiences relate to your long-term goals? How will you continue your leadership within the Latino community? In your opinion what are your greatest strengths and areas you would like to develop or improve?

Legislative Analysis: In approximately 1250 words identify a bill introduced in the U.S. House of Representatives during the 110th Congress and analyze the pros and cons of the legislation. State and explain your position, provide policy recommendations and identify their impact on the Latino community.
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