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- Julia Kang (Economics, International Relations, 2016)
- Cost Analysis Intern
- Full-time, 40 hours per week
- Unpaid but receiving grant/financial assistance (other than Career Center Internship Grant)

What do you do as an intern at this organization?
I organized and formatted available data for ease of access in the cost analysis process for weapons systems like the new Air Force One (e.g. making pie charts that illustrated the cost breakdown of parts, inflating values, comparing costs across lots).

How did you find your internship?
The Tisch Summer Fellowship program (formerly known as the Tisch Active Citizenship Summer program).

What do you enjoy most about your internship?
Interacting with people in the office and receiving help and advice from them! I also appreciate the opportunity to learn about this governmental organization as a whole while cultivating practical skills like Microsoft Excel.

What do you find challenging?
Having to stay focused for the entire duration of the workday was different from the more broken-up structure of college and took some getting used to.

What advice would you offer to someone who wants to make the most of an internship like yours?
Definitely apply to the Tisch Summer Fellowship program; it’s possible to select up to 3 placement sites if you want variety. The deadline was at the beginning of January (during winter break). Most importantly, don’t be afraid to talk to people!

About the Organization
U.S. Department of Defense, CAPE: Weapons System Cost Analysis Division
Washington, DC

The Weapons System Cost Analysis Division, part of the Office of the Secretary of Defense/Cost Assessment & Program Evaluation, develops independent cost estimates and resource analyses for major defense acquisition programs and major automated information systems.