

# Intern Spotlight:



## Meet Osvaldo!



**Name:** Osvaldo Grimado

**Major:** Sociology

**College:** College of Liberal Arts

**Internship:**

Congressional Hispanic Caucus Institute (CHLI),  
*Global Leader Intern*

**How did you obtain your internship?**

Thanks to my former internship as a Texas Civic Ambassador with the U.T Austin Annette Strauss Institute for Civic Life I was able to attend many conferences, and trainings throughout the tenure of the program. Thanks to that internship, I attended a conference in Florida International University in Fall 2021, and I found out about CHLI, a year later I applied for the Spring 2023 cohort and got accepted.

**What did you do during your internship? What were your responsibilities/duties?**

As a Global Leader for the Congressional Hispanic Leadership Institute, my duties and responsibilities vary. The program is divided in two parts, a Congressional and corporate placement. For my Congressional placement I had chosen to intern with my hometown Congress member, Congressman Henry Cuellar, as a Congressional Intern I got to witness first hand the policy making process by attending various meetings, being a liaison for constituent concerns, and conducted research for prospective grants, bills, or letters that would benefit the district. In the second half of the program I selected to be placed with Tyson Foods, as a Government Affairs Intern. In this role I got to see the role corporate companies play and their connection to the federal government in a global scale.

**What was the exciting aspect of your internship?**

There has been many exciting moments in my internship. Meeting the founders of CHLI which includes the first Latina to ever be elected into Congress, meeting various local stakeholders from the Congressional District TX-28 here in DC and showing representation for the RGV. An exciting aspect would be coming from a small rural town in South Texas to our nations capital, and showing fellow students from back home that they could also accomplish their goals if they work hard.

**What recommendations do you have for other students about doing an internship?**

I would encourage them to seek opportunities, and to always network as best as they can. Thanks to another internship, I was able to find CHLI. This goes to show that internships are not just opportunities for you to get more experience, but they can be stepping stones into something bigger if you work hard.

**How has the Career Center supported you in your career development?**

Knowing that the Career Center was always a resource for any help I might need was always good to have as a student.