



Tambo Prince

2009 Scholarship Recipient



As the son of two parents with college degrees, Tambo Prince always knew higher education was a future goal. After earning the Economic Club scholarship in 2009 upon his graduation from Benjamin Banneker Academic High School, Tambo embraced the opportunities Club members provided. He jump-started his career by attending all three Professional Development Seminars hosted by members Accenture, HSBC, and PwC. He enjoyed the shift in his thinking that the Seminar hosts provided and liked that the Seminars also presented an opportunity for the new scholars to create a bonding experience.

Tambo followed in his sister's footsteps and attended Temple University, where he developed his passion for architecture and design. In 2013, Tambo graduated with a Bachelor of Science degree in Architecture. During his sophomore year, Tambo secured an internship with the Architect of the Capitol in Washington, D.C. This position led to a temporary full-time position upon graduation and his stellar performance ultimately led to a permanent full-time job in the Facilities Planning Branch, designing and tracking swing space renovations as part of larger construction projects. Tambo's experience highlighted to him how the nation's capital sits in between some older neighborhoods that are decrepit and in need of help.

Currently, Tambo gives back locally by volunteering with Union Wesley AME Zion's Young Adult Ministry and Capital Area Food Bank. He is also actively pursuing a Master's of Science degree in Sustainable Urban Planning from George Washington University, hoping to achieve that degree in 2024, and working as a Space Planner for the Bureau of Labor Statistics. Sustainable Urban Planning has been an eye-opening program for Tambo as he learns more about the racist policies that have prevented equal and equitable planning in the past. Although Tambo notes that learning about these issues can be disheartening at times, it only motivates him to make creative positive changes as a planner.

Tambo's advice: "Pay attention and take in as much as you can. Even though it may not apply to you now, or you may not be able to do something perfectly, always put your best foot forward."