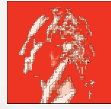


Internships and Academic Seminars



The Washington Center

This way in.



If you're serious about getting ahead and making a difference,
The Washington Center puts you on the inside.

Based in Washington, D.C., The Washington Center gives you
an insider's view of how the world really thinks, and how it
really works.

It all happens through our unique internship program:
a fully integrated mix of professional experience, academic
coursework and real-life challenges found nowhere else.

This intensive "professional semester" will put you in touch
with important people and important issues in one of the
world's most important places.

You'll get a better understanding of how organizations
really operate.

And you'll get a better understanding of yourself.
Who you really are. What you really want.
What you're good at. What you're not.

So when you leave The Washington Center, you'll be
equipped with the confidence, skills and sense of purpose to
thrive in your academic life.

You'll be better prepared for a highly competitive marketplace.

And, ultimately, you'll be able to make a real difference in your
community and society at large.

The Washington Center for Internships and Academic Seminars is a leading nonprofit educational institution headquartered in Washington, D.C. It provides undergraduates, graduate students and professionals from the U.S. and abroad academic seminars on special topics and internship-centered academic terms. Offered primarily in Washington, D.C. and selected cities abroad, the internship programs consist of a substantive work experience tailored to the student's interests, academic coursework, and civic and leadership programming.

The Washington Center enables students to gain the experience needed for entry-level employment and to prepare for lives of achievement, engagement and leadership; universities to extend their reach programmatically and geographically; organizations to connect with a new generation of talent; and its many supporters and alumni to shape the next generation of leaders.

36 years of leadership

140 professional staff, associate faculty and resident assistants

1,600 interns plus several hundred seminar participants each year

3.3 average GPA (minimum 2.75)

Several thousand internship sites

More than 50,000 alumni

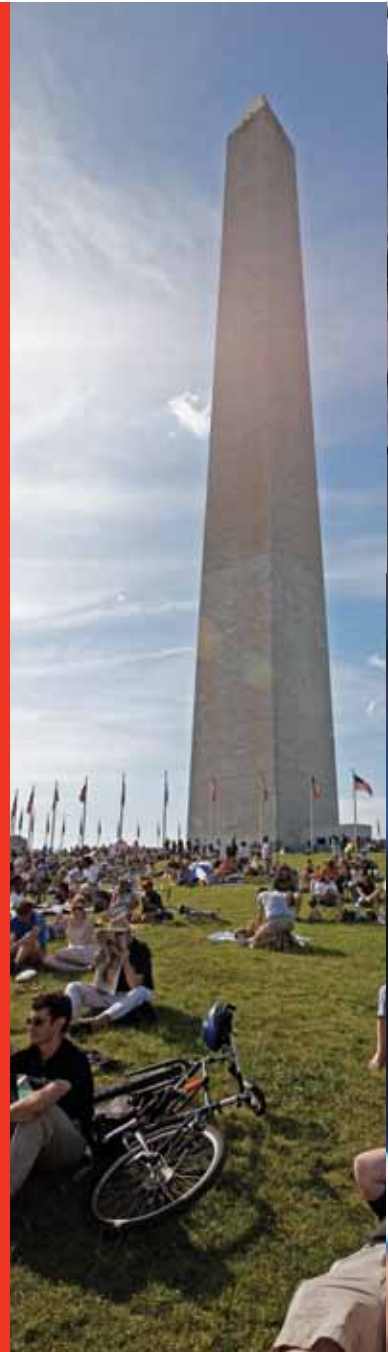
75% of U.S. participants receive financial assistance

98% of current interns say the program significantly strengthens their career prospects

Students have come from all 50 states and more than 25 countries

Nearly 500 affiliated colleges and universities

Supported by corporations, foundations, state legislatures, federal agencies, alumni and individual donors



Headquartered in a turn-of-the-century mansion (upper right) five blocks north of the White House, The Washington Center offers challenging academic and professional programs that give you access to the resources of the nation's capital and selected cities abroad.

In these pages you'll meet some of our interns and other program participants. Interns have many different majors and career interests, and come from diverse regions and institutions. The Washington Center is helping all of them find their way in, their way ahead.



The Washington Center

The way in. The way ahead.

Students are enrolled in an internship program based on their interests and their academic status. Each program has one or more professional program advisors who counsel, place, supervise and help evaluate students as well as organize activities during the day or half-day when they are not at their internship.

We offer the following Washington, D.C.-based programs:

Advocacy, Service and Arts

Business and Global Trade

Cordova/Fernos
Congressional Internship
(for Puerto Rican students)

Ford Motor Company
Global Scholars*

Governors Internship
(for Mexican Students)

International Affairs

Law and Criminal Justice

Media and Communication

Political Leadership

Postgraduate Professional
Development

Prudential Foundation
Global Citizens

Science, Technology
and Society

*Pending Funding for 2012

Full program descriptions can be found at www.twc.edu/internships

A great way to launch a career

There's no better way to launch your career than with a professional internship.

In fact, interning is becoming a crucial step in landing that all-important first job.

These days, nine out of ten entry-level hires have completed an internship. So it's no surprise that over 80% of U.S. undergraduates are making it a priority to complete an internship by the time they graduate.

But an internship is only of value if it's the right internship. And no one is better able to provide that than The Washington Center.

Our connections to the world of Washington, D.C., are broad, deep and enduring. We know not only where placements are available, but which ones offer the best experiences.

And we provide a wide range of opportunities organized around more than a dozen major program areas that will give you a chance to turn academic theory into practice.

So whether you're into public policy, international affairs, broadcast journalism, business, the arts—you name it—you'll get access to an internship that fits your interests.

Plus our substantive internships give you the chance to do real work.

You may assist attorneys during a trial. Evaluate capital markets. Help in a radio or television production.

You could be conducting scientific research. Advocating policy positions. Or writing a business plan.

And throughout your internship, you'll be documenting, analyzing and evaluating it all in your internship portfolio, which provides universities and prospective employers with impressive evidence of what you've accomplished.

Without a doubt, you'll be challenged. Stretched. At times you'll be exhausted. And—if you're like most of our students—you'll enjoy every minute of it.

Because an internship through The Washington Center will open your eyes.

In getting the chance to "test-drive" a possible career, you'll develop new strengths. You'll uncover talents you never knew you had.

You'll discover new ways of thinking. New ways of communicating.

You'll get an inside understanding.

You'll also get a chance to make mistakes. And learn from them.

Because The Washington Center provides a comprehensive system of feedback and support through a dedicated program advisor, you'll understand what you're doing right and what you could do better.

At the end of it all, you'll be not only in a more secure position in today's marketplace, but much more confident about your own talents and clear on your own direction.

It's a great way to launch a career.

Many Washington Center students intern with the federal government—in the White House or Congress or in federal agencies such as the Departments of Justice, Commerce and State. If you're interested in any area of public policy, politics or public

administration, there's no better place to prepare for your future. Here, Ross Seavey (University of New Hampshire) and Ruben Torres (The College of Idaho) take a lunchtime walk through the Federal Triangle area of downtown Washington.



Ross Seavey

University of New Hampshire

Internship site:
U.S. Environmental
Protection Agency

“Interning at the EPA is really the culmination of my undergrad work, taking everything I have learned and thrusting me into the real world of politics and policy in Washington. It has completely altered my perspective on how much power and politics affect government decisions and outcomes. Working for the EPA has expanded my knowledge of environmental issues by leaps and bounds and has convinced me to return to D.C. to build a career working in the government.”

Brian Highsmith

Furman University

Internship site:
Federal Deposit
Insurance Corporation

“During the months I spent in D.C. with The Washington Center, I began to understand who I am and who I want to be, what's important and why it matters. In economic justice and policy issues, I found my passion. I figured out what I want to do with my life, and received advice on how to get there from the people who have my dream jobs. I fell in love with a city, from the culture to the people and pace. It was a huge learning opportunity, and not always in ways I could have predicted before deciding to come.”

Larissa Luckel

University of Iowa

Internship site:
CentroNia

“At my internship site, I’ve had the opportunity to work in an extremely diverse community with multicultural and bilingual children and staff. As a development intern, I’ve been able to assist in corporate, foundation and government grant writing processes as well as sit in on meetings with the CEO and the rest of the executive team.

I’m truly learning the inner workings of a nonprofit development office. The things I’ve learned here will make me much more appealing to potential employers.

It is rare to have the opportunity to acquire the skills I’m gaining now, and none of this would be possible without my internship through The Washington Center. The entire D.C. experience has been invaluable to me in the development of both my personal and professional life, and I feel more confident in both areas as a result.”





Washington, D.C., has more nonprofit organizations than any city in the country—25,000 of them. There are think tanks and research centers. Cultural and arts institutions. Advocacy groups that work on challenges such as hunger, poverty and environmental degradation. There are organizations that deliver direct services, such as education and health care.

And associations that represent industries and professions in the nation's capital.

Here, Larissa Luckel is pictured with charter school students from her Washington Center internship, CentroNia, a provider of bilingual education services in the District of Columbia.

An internship with a for-profit organization will introduce you to the private sector, the country's and the world's great engine of economic growth. Whether you're with Merrill Lynch, a law or lobbying firm, or the U.S. Chamber of Commerce, it will



Nick Catanzaro

Program Advisor,
The Washington Center

“Students receive one-on-one mentoring not only from their internship supervisors but from their TWC program advisor as well. As a program advisor, I help students create tangible learning goals for the semester as well as enhance their professional development through activities and other academic assignments.”

help you understand the way business is done (and, often, how related policy is made). It will help you determine whether or not the for-profit arena is for you.

Here, Rudyard Rocque (University of Calgary) and Sarah Heinz (University of Iowa) confer with Brad Queisser, their supervisor at the lobbying firm mCapitol Management. Queisser is an alumnus of The Washington Center



Brad Queisser

Vice President,
Managing Director
mCapitol Management

“Having students join our team here at mCapitol Management for a semester gives us the chance to expose them to policy makers and other organizations that play a role in the political arena. We ensure that interns at mCapitol Management become a crucial part of the office’s daily functioning and give them the opportunity to oversee and work on projects of their own.”

Jon Mayer

Villanova University

Internship site:
mCapitol Management

“I have been able to prove myself by doing legislative research and analysis and making recommendations. I routinely delve into the dense language of bills and figure out what the bills will truly accomplish and how they will affect our clients. My most important duty is scheduling Washington, D.C., events for one of our newer clients, an international accounting firm. I call Congressional offices to set up meetings. These tasks have allowed me to learn a lot—from basic workplace etiquette to how the American legislative process works in the real world.”

Jaimee Mayfield

Washington State University

Internship site:
Double R Productions

“My internship at Double R Productions has given me the confidence and experience I need to venture out and find a job after graduation. Double R has treated me as part of their team and not as a typical intern. As a public relations major, I have had the opportunity to gain hands-on experience not only with writing press releases and creating public service announcement concepts, but also with video editing, production work, media logging and helping at video shoots. I could not ask for a better internship!”

Sample Internships

Council of State
Governments

Embassy of Mexico

Institute of
International Education

Internal Revenue Service

Merrill Lynch

National Defense University

National Institutes of Health

Save the Children

Smithsonian Institution

U.S. Congressional Offices

U.S. Department of Justice

USA Today

Voice of America

White House Office of
National Drug Control Policy

And thousands more



The Washington Center serves students in all majors, with interests in a wide variety of fields. These include the government, nonprofit and business arenas featured on these pages as well as many others that may partially overlap with them—the worlds of media and communications, science and technology, law and criminal justice, and international affairs.

Let us know your interests, whatever they are. We'll probably be able to find you substantive and exciting internship options to help you on your way.



Carey Carpenter

Wake Forest University

Internship site:
Woodrow Wilson
International Center
for Scholars

“Dr. Alicia Campi’s course on U.S.-China relations in the 20th and 21st centuries has given me a wonderful background on U.S. foreign policy toward an emerging power that promises to be at the forefront of national security and economic talks in the years to come. Through this course and through my internship with the Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars, I’ve had the privilege of exploring the intricate dynamics of U.S. relations with leading nations in the post-Cold War era.”

Sample Courses

Forensic Psychology

From Ideas to Action: The Anatomy of Entrepreneurship

Global Markets and International Business Strategies

International Organizations and Humanitarian Law

Nonprofit Leadership and Management

Peaceful Solutions: An Alternative to Violence

The Congressional Arena: Practical Problems and Impact Strategies

Scandalous Washington: Uncovering D.C. History

Science, Technology and Society

And many more

A great way to learn

One of the many things that make The Washington Center special is its unique integration of academics with real-world experience.

We offer a wide variety of classes to complement your internship. You select one.

These are serious academic courses that, combined with the internship, can help you earn credit at your home college or university.

They have in many cases a direct and practical relationship to the work you’re doing throughout the week, and range from politics, business and economics to anthropology, the arts and humanities.

Classes meet for 3 hours a week and are taught by an excellent faculty—typically experienced university teachers with the highest degrees in their fields.

The faculty are passionate about their subjects and devoted to helping you learn.

But coursework is only part of the story. You’ll also take part in our Leadership Forum.

The Washington Center Leadership Forum gives you the chance to listen to and engage with distinguished speakers, including cabinet members, ambassadors, journalists and members of Congress.

Speakers have included former Secretary of State Madeleine Albright, legendary ABC journalist Sam Donaldson and India’s Ambassador, Ronen Sen.

You’ll get direct access to the perspectives and experiences of important leaders from the business, nonprofit, media, government and diplomatic communities.

You’ll go to Capitol Hill in a small group to meet and discuss policy issues with a member of Congress or senior staff. You’ll have other exciting opportunities, too. They may include, for example, visiting embassies and learning about international conflicts from people who know them first-hand or hearing oral arguments at the Supreme Court. You’ll have an inside look at current public policy debates and the organizations and people who shape them.

And you’ll get the chance to discuss issues that affect your life and your community.

As part of the Leadership Forum, you’ll also have the opportunity to get engaged in the community around you and make a real difference right now.

You might secure donations of books, crayons and toys from local stores and distribute them to homeless children. Organize a simulation of Israeli-Palestinian peace negotiations at a local high school. Or take part in a get-out-the-vote drive.

It’s all part of our educational philosophy. One that integrates professional work, classwork and special programming in an overall learning experience unlike any other.

We know it’s something you’ll enjoy and profit from for the rest of your life.

An academic course is an integral part of your Washington Center experience. You'll be able to choose from approximately 30 courses typically offered each semester or summer term. Below, Professor Alicia Campi leads her class, U.S. and China in the 20th and 21st Centuries. Typical of the faculty we seek out,

Dr. Campi has both a strong academic background (Ph.D., Indiana University; M.A., Harvard University; A.B., Smith College) and relevant practical experience (years serving as a U.S. State Department Foreign Service Officer in Asian posts, including Singapore, Taiwan, Japan and Mongolia).



Dr. Alicia Campi

Professor

Course:
U.S. and China in the 20th
and 21st Centuries

“I teach Washington Center courses related to East Asian and Chinese history and Chinese-US. economic relations. The opportunity to work with Washington Center students from different backgrounds and schools has been a stimulating intellectual challenge for me over the years, and this fact, together with the ever-changing nature of the U.S. relationship with Asia, keeps the topics fresh and relevant. I am happy to say that I still hear from some of my former students now out making their own careers.”

The Leadership Forum

This set of activities helps students expand and enrich their academic knowledge through practical applications and critical reflection. Some of these activities are described below.

Public Policy Dialogues on Capitol Hill

You'll meet in a small group with a member of Congress or senior staff on Capitol Hill for a discussion of current issues.

Career Services

You'll be exposed to multiple workshops that will enhance your professional development, such as networking tips, how to improve your resume or how to get a job in the federal government.

Civic Engagement Project

You'll have an opportunity to be involved in projects where you learn and apply skills needed to make a positive difference in the community.

Small Group Sessions

Throughout your Washington Center program, you'll benefit from activities—panels, site visits, briefings—especially designed for students with your professional interests.

Internship Portfolio

Each intern completes a portfolio that documents, analyzes and reflects on the internship experience. The final product provides home institutions, prospective employers and graduate and professional schools with impressive evidence of what you have accomplished.

The Alan K. Simpson-Norman Y. Mineta Leaders Series

On selected Monday afternoons (two to six times each term) you'll hear the perspectives and experiences of distinguished leaders from the business, nonprofit and government sectors as well as the diplomatic community. Each session provides ample opportunity to ask questions.

Roundtable on Philanthropy and Social Responsibility

This event highlights how the public and private sectors, individual philanthropists and non-governmental organizations work together to address pressing social challenges in the United States and around the globe.



Recent and Upcoming Speakers

- Secretary Madeleine K. Albright, The Albright Group
- Anna E. Cabral, U.S. Treasurer
- Mike McCurry, White House Press Secretary
- Sheila Johnson, President and Managing Partner, Women's National Basketball Association's Washington Mystics
- Senator Chuck Hagel (R-NE)
- Dr. Klaus Scharioth, German Ambassador to the United States
- Carlos Gutierrez, Secretary of Commerce
- Congressman James Clyburn (D-SC), House Majority Whip
- James B. Steinberg, Deputy Secretary of State
- John O. Brennan, Assistant to the President for Homeland Security and Counterterrorism
- Dennis Hastert, Speaker of the House of Representatives
- Kevin Klose, National Public Radio President
- Bob Schieffer, Chief Washington Correspondent, CBS News and host of "Face the Nation"

The Washington Center produces not only future leaders in their professions, but also well-informed citizens who are engaged with their communities and their world.

Below, Madeleine Albright, former Secretary of State, speaks at the President's Lecture Series.



Yasue Iwakiri

California State University-Long Beach

Internship site:
Atlantic Council of the United States

“The Washington Center’s Leadership Forum is designed in a way that encourages students to get involved and be proactive. Among all of our assignments, I found the informational interview—part of the portfolio—to be the most useful. Hearing personal stories from the individual I interviewed, as well as other speakers throughout the semester, has impacted me more than reading material from a textbook ever could. I am certain that the experiences I’ve had in D.C. will redirect the focus of my studies and change my attitude dramatically when I go back to my home university.”





A great way to live

At the Washington Center, you not only get a great work experience and a great learning experience.

You also get a great life experience.

Because living in Washington, D.C., is like nothing else in the world.

First of all, the city is beautiful, filled with amazing people, impressive architecture and monuments, and vast flower-filled green spaces.

Then there are the incredible museums, such as the Smithsonian and the Corcoran and Phillips galleries.



There are world-class performances of theater, music and dance at places like the Kennedy Center.

And, of course, there's sports. Washington, D.C., boasts a number of professional teams, including the Redskins, Wizards, Nationals, Capitals and D.C. United. What's more, Washington, D.C., is simply a fascinating city to wander around in and explore, whether as part of our scheduled group excursions or on your own.

And Washington, D.C., has a great nightlife. The atmosphere on a Saturday evening in neighborhoods such as Adams Morgan and Dupont Circle is electric, with everything from Latin lounges to punk to clubs to independent theater.

And if you enjoy good food, Washington, D.C., is the place to be. There are hundreds of great restaurants offering cuisines from all over: French, Italian, Spanish, Indian, Moroccan, Ethiopian—the list goes on and on.

But best of all is where you'll actually live. We don't house you in dormitories.

Instead, you'll share an apartment with other Washington Center interns in either our new Residential and Academic Facility near Capitol Hill, or in one of a few carefully selected buildings in Northern Virginia or suburban Maryland. All facilities are convenient to a Metro station. So rather than living at arms-length from the world, you'll be right in it, amid the people and energy that make Washington tick.

Your neighbors could be government officials, artists or writers, or corporate leaders. That guy sitting next to you on the Metro could be a high-powered policy maker or someone making a difference in the nonprofit world.

You'll be in the heart of it, but you won't be left totally on your own. Resident assistants, assigned to each building, are available should you need assistance.

And on that rare occasion when you just might want to take a break from D.C., the beaches of Maryland and Delaware, the Blue Ridge Mountains, Williamsburg, Baltimore Harbor and the cities of New York and Philadelphia are all just a few hours away.

All in all, at The Washington Center you'll be able to experience the people, places and opportunities of Washington, D.C., from a true insider's perspective.

It's a wonderful place to call home.

Jennifer Durham

Bradley University

Internship site:
Sutter's Mill Fund Raising
& Strategy

"For my summer internship in D.C., I stayed in Washington Center housing located just outside the District in Rockville, Maryland. The nearby area had enough shops and restaurants to satisfy any taste. I was able to develop lasting friendships with many other interns through the program, and together we had a once-in-a-lifetime experience in the nation's capital.

One of my favorite D.C. attractions was the Newseum, an impressive museum dedicated exclusively to the media. Another place I highly recommend visiting is Arlington National Cemetery in Virginia. The changing of the guards is breathtaking."

The D.C. experience. It's about being at the center of things, launching your future in a place that's prominent on the national and international stage. It's about getting experience with some of the most respected organizations in their fields.

Amisha Amin

Washington Center resident assistant (RA).

“As an RA, I serve as a resource, peer counselor, activities director and role model to students living in The Washington Center apartments.

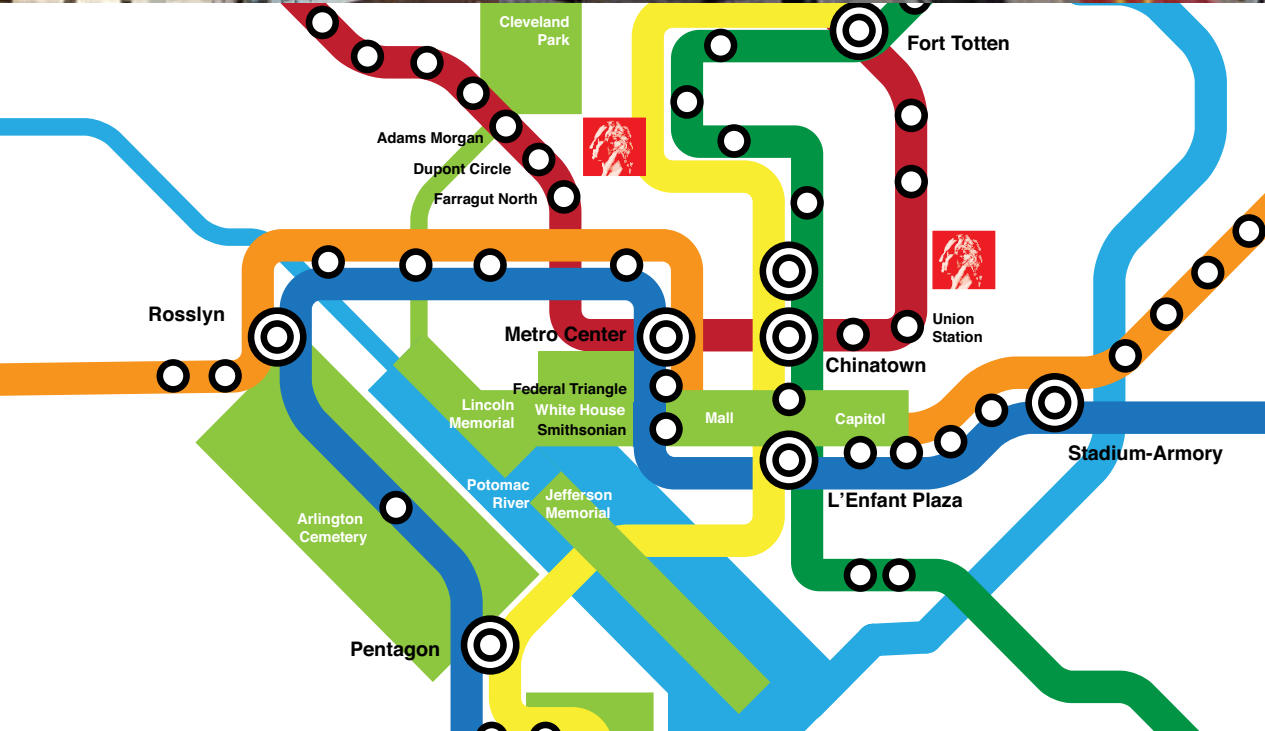
When the students arrive each term, I ask a handful what their time in D.C. will do for them. Most guess that their internships will help further their studies and allow them to get real-world experience. As the semester comes to an end, however, I most always find their answer has evolved beyond the academic and professional realms.

Whether it was going to a salsa or Bollywood night, attending a baseball game or picnic, volunteering at a shelter, talking with their RA or spending time with their roommates and fellow residents, the students have learned and shared perspectives, found commonalities, discovered new interests and formed strong relationships.”



You'll be struck by how young and motivated the workforce is, and how quickly real responsibility flows to those who can handle it. The city's energy is remarkable too, at both work and play.

In Washington, D.C., there's so much to be accomplished, and so much to see and do. It's all at your doorstep as a Washington Center intern.



Getting Around on the D.C. Metro

The Washington, D.C., Metro system can help you get anywhere you need to go. You'll be commuting to your internship site on a daily basis, to and from your evening course, and to Leadership Forum events. In your spare time, you'll likely explore the D.C. area with fellow interns. The Metro provides service 20 hours per day on weekends, so you can get where you want to be on your own schedule.



Admiral Michael Mullen

Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff

Admiral Michael Mullen, Chairman Joint Chiefs of Staff addresses “Inside Washington 2010” seminar participants:

“I really applaud what you are doing and what you are tied into here in trying to understand our government in these enormously challenging times One of the reasons I focus on you is because you will lead, in the very near future, in ways that I think many of you probably may not know.”

And later from Admiral Michael Mullen’s twitter account:

“Some smart questions this morning from students @ The Washington Center. Future in good hands.”

Through the Washington Connections program, The Washington Center can also work with individual faculty members and institutions to provide specialized programming as well as logistical and event support for class study trips to Washington, D.C.

Academic Seminars

The Washington Center offers several 1-to-2-week intensive learning seminars focused on topics ranging from public policy to international affairs. These seminars provide participants with the opportunity to learn in-depth from expert speakers. Participants also gain understanding through small group discussions, experiential field work, model simulations, interviews, readings and written work. The seminars include site visits to government agencies, embassies, think tanks, media companies and other influential organizations. Through this immersive learning experience, students get unique insight into the inner workings of national and international institutions. The academic seminars are open to students from the freshman to graduate level, as well as recent graduates and faculty.

By attending these seminars, students are able to get a better grasp on a broad range of topics while meeting other students who share the same interest. These programs are structured in a way that, through the student’s home institution, students will be able to receive academic credit for their participation. Most academic institutions award anywhere from two to four credits for completion of the academic components of these programs; however, students are not required to receive academic credit for these seminars.

Recurring Seminar Topics

- Politics and the Media
- Congress and the Presidency
- The Middle East Conflict
- National Political Conventions
- National Security
- Presidential Inauguration

Sample Programming

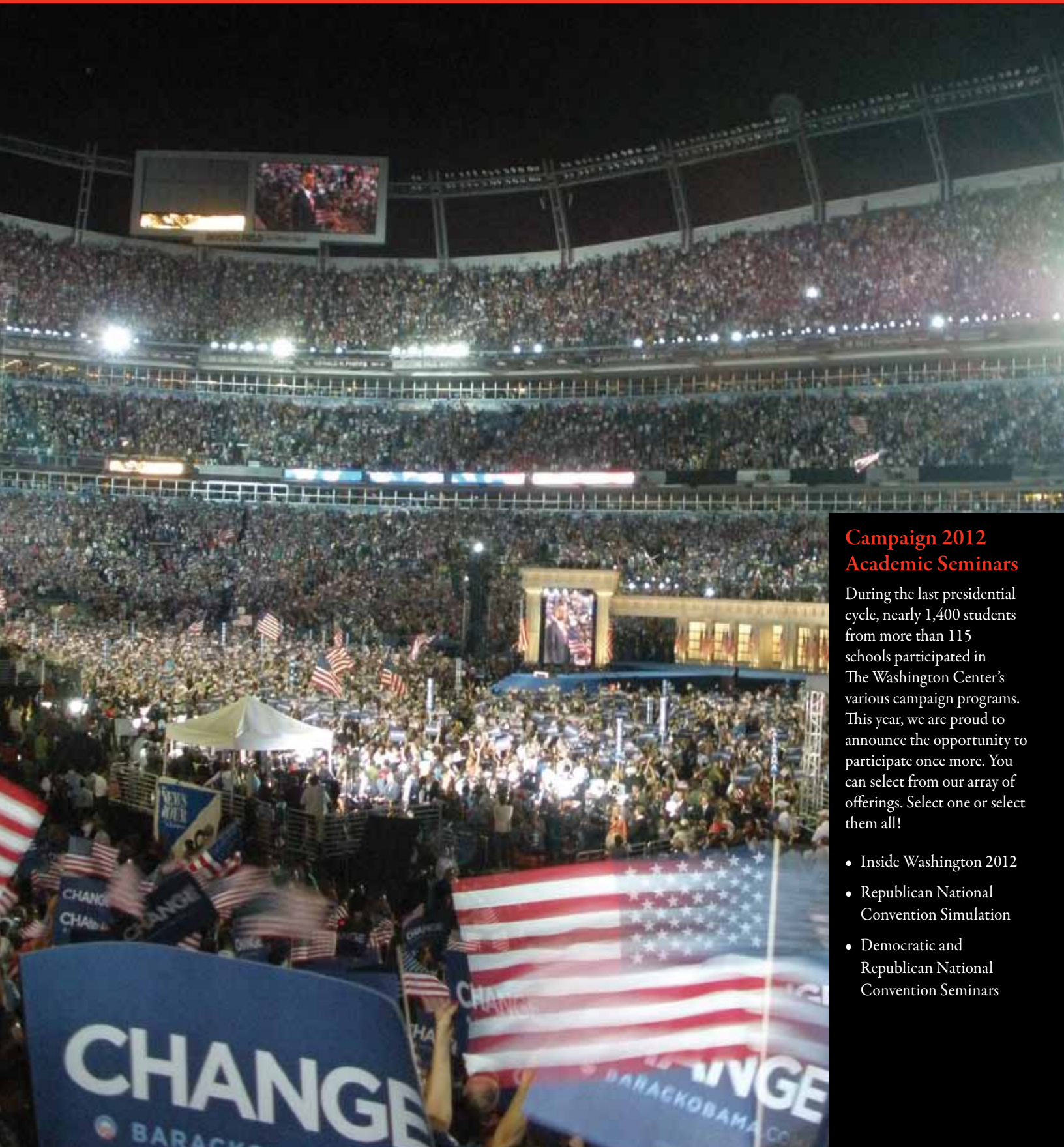
- Attend White House policy briefings
- Join lectures with notable speakers and experts covered by C-SPAN
- Participate in issue discussions moderated by associate faculty members
- Visit organizations in small groups

Past Speakers

- Gov. Howard Dean, Chairman of the Democratic National Committee
- Sam Donaldson, ABC News
- Husain Haqqani, Ambassador of Pakistan
- Brian Lamb, C-SPAN
- John Brennan, U.S. Deputy National Security Advisor
- Clarence Page, Chicago Tribune
- Dana Perino, White House Press Secretary
- Gov. Mitt Romney (R-MA)
- Justice Antonin Scalia, U.S. Supreme Court Justice
- Bob Schieffer, CBS News
- H.E. Samir Sumaida’ie, Ambassador of Iraq

Past Site Visits

- Capitol Hill
- CNN
- Embassies
- Executive branch office
- Federal Bureau of Investigation
- Floor of The U.S. House of Representatives
- Lobbying groups
- Policy think tanks
- National Counterterrorism Center
- National political party headquarters
- The National Press Club
- Newseum



Campaign 2012 Academic Seminars

During the last presidential cycle, nearly 1,400 students from more than 115 schools participated in The Washington Center's various campaign programs. This year, we are proud to announce the opportunity to participate once more. You can select from our array of offerings. Select one or select them all!

- Inside Washington 2012
- Republican National Convention Simulation
- Democratic and Republican National Convention Seminars



Amara Nwaigwe

University of Michigan

Internship site:
Quay West Suites

“You’ll be amazed at the number of things you can squeeze into 10 days. We had everything from guest lecturers and mock interviews to coffee at the Australian embassy. Our D.C. seminar combined education with experience.”

David Biblis

Indiana University of Pennsylvania

Internship site:
Vibe Wire Youth Incorporated

“I have already begun to feel comfortable in my new surroundings. I have even met a few local Aussies [who] have taken me around to some of the local restaurants and bistro hotspots. I have learned much about the little things that matter to the average Aussie by asking simple questions. I found that they have just as many questions for me. It’s a really cool learning experience...”

Intern Abroad

Want to go abroad? Learn about and experience the excitement of another country? Get the kind of international work experience that’s increasingly prized in today’s global economy? The Washington Center offers summer- and semester-long Intern Abroad programs in two cities, as described below.

London, England

Europe’s largest city, a business, financial and cultural center and a major global crossroads.

Sydney, Australia

Australia’s largest and oldest city, a center of the new Asia Pacific, known for its temperate weather, natural attractions and easy-going ways.

*Intern Abroad Sample Internship Sites**

London

- British Museum
- British Water
- Forward UK
- Labour Party
- Liberal Democratic Party
- London Middle East Institute
- Marriott
- Transport for London

Sydney

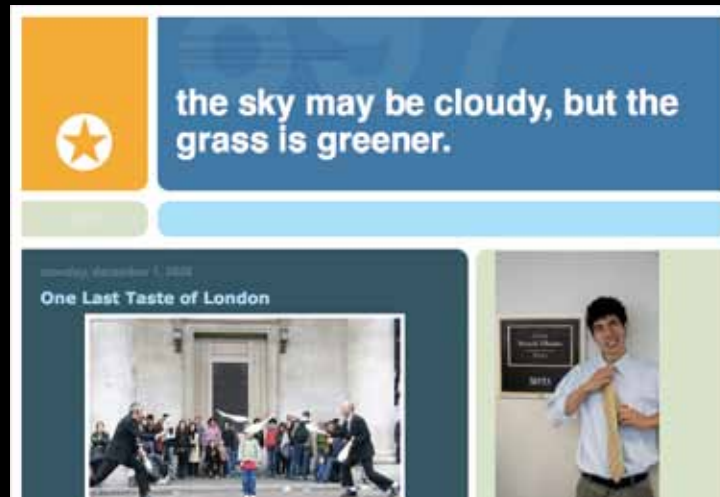
- Children’s Starlight Foundation
- Edge Custom Media
- Greenpeace Australia
- HIV/AIDS Legal Centre
- New South Wales Attorney General’s Office
- New South Wales Parliament
- NMG Consulting
- Sydney Harbour Authority

*The Washington Center cannot guarantee the availability of any particular internship site.

Included in Each Program

- 10-day predeparture seminar in Washington, D.C.
- 2½- to 4½-day-a-week tailored internship in your destination city
- Two to three academic courses
- Programming that encompasses site visits, guest speakers, events, group travel and more

For more information about The Washington Center’s Intern Abroad programs—including the semesters and terms when the programs are offered—visit www.twc.edu/abroad



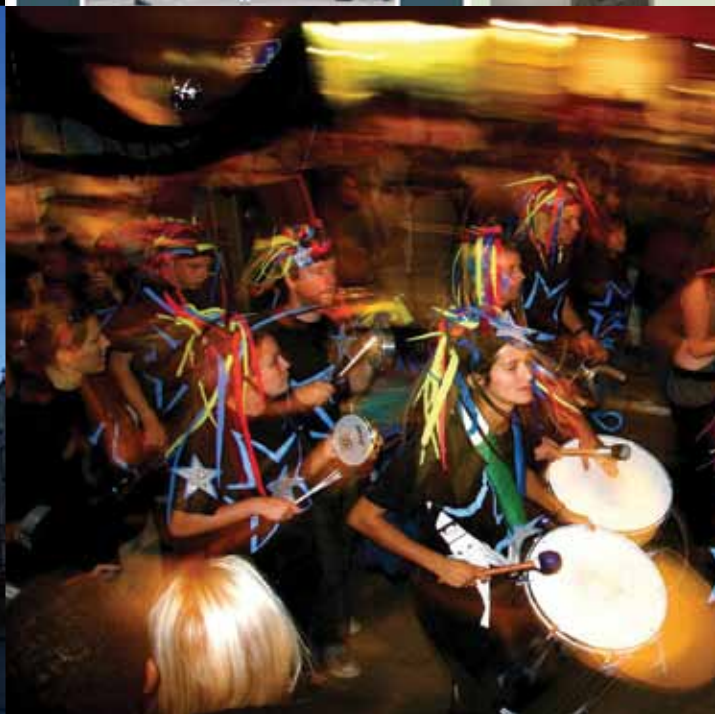
Dylan Kwapy

University of Indiana
at Bloomington

Internship site:
UK Trade and Investment

“Well, after three months in the incredible city of London, I’m sitting in my window seat on the flight back to the States. It was a good amount of time to live and work in the city, but it really flew by. Interning in London has left me with a good sense of the business culture in an international city, but there’s a lot that I will take from the past few months besides just work experience. I’ve made some great friends in my flatmates, my co-workers and a few Londoners. I’ve come in contact with many new cultures, languages and foods, all converging in one ever-changing city. Traveling to a new place for a few days or a week can be a good experience, but in order to really get a feel for its culture and daily life, you just have to live there. I feel quite lucky to have been able to do just that.”

Read more intern abroad
student blogs at:
www.twc.edu/abroad-blogs





Stephen Johnston

University of Maryland Baltimore County

Washington Center Alumnus, 2003 and 2005

Internship sites:

Constituency for Africa and
U.S. Department of Defense

Current Job:

Research Leader, Thomson Reuters

“The Washington Center is a great investment. I attended twice—helped each time by some scholarship. My first internship, as a sophomore, was at Constituency for Africa, a nonprofit. It exposed me to international trade and steered me toward a major in economics. My second, two years later, was at the Department of Defense. There I used what I’d since learned about econometrics to assist government economists who were tackling major national health care issues. On the strength of that internship experience, I decided to do graduate work in health economics—and was offered a research assistantship that paid my way. Today, I oversee a team of analysts at Thomson Reuters doing large-scale statistical research projects and publishing studies in the health care field. I’m also finishing a Ph.D. in public policy. That I’m able to be doing this at my age is due largely to the opportunities I had at The Washington Center. They helped me find my direction. And the credentials, skills and contacts I picked up have been really valuable.”

Federal Opportunities

In 2008, President-elect Barack Obama looked to motivate a new generation of Americans to public service. “When you choose to serve,” he said, “whether it’s your nation, your community or simply your neighborhood—you are connected to that fundamental American ideal that we want life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness not just for ourselves but for all Americans. That’s why it’s called the American dream.”

It is with this renewed focus on citizenry and public service that The Washington Center has partnered with numerous federal agencies to facilitate their internship programs and inspire the next generation of public servants.

The federal government is aggressively seeking new talent; 250,000 jobs are expected to open up during the next five years.

Federal agencies are looking for a multitude of skill sets. Priority majors include engineering, business, accounting, finance, information technology, human resources, environmental studies, health sciences, public administration and many more. Agencies are also looking to increase the diversity within their workforces by recruiting Native American, Asian American and Pacific Islander, Hispanic and African American students as well as students with disabilities.

The Washington Center has several initiatives through which students may intern in federal agencies. Altogether, each year federal agencies provide financial assistance to approximately 20 percent of our students to offset housing and/or program fees. Awards differ by agency and initiative. For up-to-date information on federal opportunities, visit our website: www.twc.edu/federal.

Cost and Financial Aid

The Washington Center charges a fee for each program it offers during the year, as well as for the housing it provides to its interns. Our fees can be found on our website: www.twc.edu/financialaid

Costs vary, based on the length and location of the program as well as the financial assistance awarded. Many students are able to attend our program through an arrangement in which their college or university waives its tuition. Other students pay tuition to their school, which then forwards all or part toward payment of The Washington Center’s program and/or housing fees. Fees may also be reduced through awards provided by a student’s state, private sources, the internship placement site, or directly from The Washington Center. Even in those cases where students pay some amount more than they do on campus, their cost usually represents a very sound investment for an academic and professional experience that will pay benefits for years to come. For up-to-date information on the financial assistance that may be available, visit our website: www.twc.edu/financialaid



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