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Politics and Public Policy Infosheet

New student admissions for
Summer 2024 are open.



Program Highlights

- Learn about the role that political parties, public opinion, and special interest groups can have on shaping behavior and policies at the federal, state, and local levels.
- Partake in a Senate simulation where you will champion your ideas and passions into legislation to become law, moving it from Committee to the Senate floor.
- Visit policymakers and think tanks to learn more about careers in the field



2024 Dates

Georgetown

- Session 1: June 23- July 05



Academic Program Overview

In the first class, students will break into campaign teams as they become immersed in a presidential election. Students will be divided into the following groups: candidates, campaign managers, senior policy advisors, speech writers, media outlets, and swing states. Over the course of the week, they will strategize a plan to secure votes for their candidate before they ultimately elect a new president. During the second week, students will take on the role of US lawmakers as they draft legislation and push for it to become law. Along the way, students will have to overcome lobbyists, PAC influence, and a House vote, as well as convince the newly elected President to sign the bill. By using an experiential learning approach, students will quickly engage in these topics, and the instructor introduces the underlying theory and concepts as students tackle these issues while pushing their political agenda.



Excursions

Looking ahead, students can anticipate an exciting agenda for this year, featuring the White House, active participation in roundtable discussions, and visits to esteemed institutions like the U.S. Supreme Court and Capitol Hill. It's important to note that the specific excursions may be subject to change based on the country's prevailing events and in accordance with health and safety guidelines.

Instructor

Nicholas Ferroni

Meet Nicholas Ferroni, a nationally recognized educator and social activist known for his dedication to inspiring students and sparking conversations about education reform. Acknowledged as the "upstander of the year" by the Human Rights Campaign, Nicholas champions inclusivity and diversity, integrating minority voices into curriculum and highlighting civil rights movements. With innovative teaching methods and advocacy efforts featured on national platforms like ABC's 'The View' and MSNBC, Nicholas fosters supportive environments, co-founding his school's Gay Straight Alliance and Feminist Club. His infectious enthusiasm continues to make a lasting impact on the next generation.

Tuition Information:

Residential Students:

- Includes: all meals, lodging, excursions, academic course, weekend excursions
- Excludes: optional airport pickup and drop off service (available for an additional fee)
- Price: \$5,498

Commuter Students:

- Includes: lunch, academic course, excursions, programming from 9am to 6pm, Monday-Friday
- Excludes: lodging, breakfast, dinner, weekend excursions
 - Weekend excursions can be added on for \$125 per day
- Price: \$3,198

Supplements:

- Application fee: \$99 (mandatory, non-refundable)
- Tuition Protection Plan: Allows for cancellation for any reason up until the day of the program. Click [here](#) for more info.



Course Structure

There are nine 3-hour class sessions over the two-week course. During week one, students have class from 9am-12pm, Monday - Friday. During week two students have class from 9am-12pm Monday through Thursday. Wednesday afternoons are dedicated to additional academic time (excursions, speakers).



Typical Schedule



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