Course Information

Honors Seminar on Public Policy and Global Affairs
Honors Carolina and UNC Public Policy
College of Arts and Sciences
University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
Thursday Seminar, AM and PM
Duke in DC
1201 New York Ave, NW Suite 1110
Washington, DC 20005
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Brief Overview of Academic Program

The Honors Seminar on Public Policy and Global Affairs in Washington, D.C. offers Carolina undergraduates a unique learning, living, and internship opportunity in our nation’s capital. The seminar aims to expose students to a range of public policies that influence U.S. economic prosperity, national security, and America’s role in the broader global community. Internship placements provide opportunities for students to apply academic learning to policy debates, to derive new insights and questions for seminar discussion, and to work directly with policy experts.

The seminar is organized around several key components:
1) A morning seminar (9:45 am–12 pm) held every Thursday. This seminar examines a range of domestic and global policy issues, including the federal budget, social policy, income inequality and poverty, international development, foreign policy, national security and intelligence policy, universal education, environment and development, and others.

2) An afternoon seminar (2–5 pm) held every Thursday. This seminar is devoted to examining the role of policy experts and advocates in addressing domestic and global challenges. It includes weekly visits to and/or guest lectures from government officials, think tanks, and policy organizations.

3) Internship placements (4 days a week) with leading domestic and global affairs agencies, policy research and/or advocacy organizations.

4) Several “off-site” visits are planned, including: a conference at a DC based think thank, a performance at the Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts and a 2-3 day trip to New York City. Weekly informal professional development sessions also will be planned.

Spring 2017
Honors Seminar on Public Policy and Global Affairs in Washington, D.C.

Application Deadline: September 15, 2016
Honors Seminar: Core Courses

PLCY 352H: Seminar on Domestic and Global Affairs
Three (3) graded credit hours are awarded for satisfactory completion of the weekly morning seminar, which focuses on a study of domestic and international affairs within the U.S. policy-making process.

HNRS 352: The Role of Experts and Advocates in Solving Domestic and Global Challenges
Three (3) graded credit hours are awarded for satisfactory completion of the weekly afternoon seminar, which focuses on the roles of experts and advocates in addressing and solving major domestic and global policy problems.

HNRS 393: Internship in Domestic and/or Global Affairs
Six (6) graded credit hours are awarded for the successful completion of an internship program at domestic or international affairs agencies and organizations. Students are expected to work four days per week under the direction of a senior mentor at the host agency or organization.

Note on credit(s): Honors courses are repeatable for credit as long as the course content is not duplicated. Students who wish to receive major or minor credit for one or more of these courses above should discuss this with the Director of Undergraduate Studies in their major or minor.

2016 Internship Placements

American Forests (www.americanforests.org)
Atlantic Council (www.atlanticcouncil.org)
Association for Diplomatic Studies and Training (ADST)(adst.org)
Bloomberg Government (bgov.com)
Center for American Progress (www.americanprogress.org)
Center for International Policy (www.ciponline.org)
Children’s Defense Fund (www.childrensdefense.org)
Hamilton Place Strategies (www.hamiltonplacestrategies.com)
Incite Agency (www.theninciteagency.com)
National Security Archive (nsarchive.gwu.edu)
Office of Representative David Price – NC (price.house.gov)
Office of Representative Ruben Gallego – AZ (rubengallego.house.gov)
Service Women’s Action Network (SWAN) (www.servicewomen.org)
The Foundation for Political, Economic, and Social Research (SETA) (setadc.org)
US-ASEAN Business Council (www.usasean.org)
U.S. Asia Institute (www.usasiainstitute.org)
U.S. Department of Commerce, International Trade Administration: the Advocacy Center (www.export.gov/advocacy/)
U.S. Department of State, Bureau of International Security and Nonproliferation (www.state.gov/t/isn/)
White House Internship (Domestic Policy Council) (www.whitehouse.gov/participate/internships)
White House Initiative on Educational Excellence for Hispanics (sites.ed.gov/hispanic-initiative/)
White House White House Internship (Office of Presidential Correspondence) (www.whitehouse.gov/participate/internships)

Housing

Students live in a townhouse or apartments in Washington DC. All townhouses or apartments are located in close proximity to Metro stations. The townhouses or apartments are fully furnished and include on-site laundry facilities, cable TV, and wireless internet access. Students share a room in a townhouse or apartment building with multiple suites.

Key contacts

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