Introduction

In today’s 21st century economy it is increasingly important for students entering the business world to have a global understanding and recognize the ever changing role government plays in affecting business decisions.

The Prudential Foundation Global Citizens Program provides undergraduate and graduate students from Brazil, China, India, Japan, South Korea and Taiwan the opportunity to spend a semester in Washington, D.C., in an experiential learning program that exposes them to the role the United States government plays in the context of an increasingly interdependent world. In light of the increased role of regulation in the United States economy, this program exposes selected students to the financial role of the private, government and nonprofit sectors in our nation’s capital. Students in the program return to their communities equipped with the skills and motivation to make real impacts as civically engaged, socially aware citizens.

Students will join a cohort of 400-450 students from across the United States and around the world, live together in shared apartments, and have an opportunity to learn from their internships and academic components, and from each other. Between 2013 and 2015, a total of 120 undergraduate and graduate students, 20 for the spring semester and 20 for the fall semester, will be selected.

Special attention will be paid to students who display an interest in areas such as:
- Information Technology Management
- Software Engineering
- Business Analysis
- Database Administration
- Web Development
- Computer Programming
- Network Management Engineering
- System Administration

Program Outline

The fifteen-week Prudential Foundation Global Citizens Program will have the following components:

1. Internship: The Washington Center matches students, according to their interests, with substantive internships. Placement sites include the private, nonprofit, governmental, and non-governmental sectors. Students work four days per week. To see a list of sample internships, please visit www.twc.edu/prudential-internship-sites.

2. Academic Course: All participants in this program attend an academic course one evening per week. The course helps students understand development theories, business and trade models, as well as relevant policy-making processes.

3. Leadership Forum: The hallmark of TWC’s programming is its Leadership Forum, which is designed for students to engage with leaders from a variety of settings and to help them reflect on their
professional leadership development. It includes a series of enrichment activities outside of their internship such as tailored lectures, site visits, workshops and cultural events—all of which are designed specifically to promote the program’s learning goals.

4. **Civic Engagement/Social Responsibility Project:** Each student is required to complete a Civic Engagement Project in which they become informed about an issue they care about and then take civic action in partnership with others to make a positive difference at the local, national or global level. Students devote a minimum of 15 hours over the semester to learning and civic action combined.

5. **Portfolio:** Students produce a compilation of documents that summarizes their learning experience, including a goal statement, various reflective assignments, papers and work samples.

**The Washington Center Advantage**

**Mentorship:** TWC’s Academic Program Advisors mentor and work closely with students to maximize their experiences and successfully complete their program components. TWC’s academic course instructors also provide guidance on students’ academic achievement. TWC’s housing facilities have Alumni in Residence that supervise and offer support to students during the evenings and on weekends.

**How to Apply**

Interested candidates must consult with their campus liaison and fill out the Prudential Foundation Global Citizens Program Application (http://www.twc.edu/prudential-app) by **April 10, 2015**.

**Due to the increasing competitiveness of the program, only highly qualified candidates will be contacted for an interview. In order to move forward in the selection process, applicants that successfully pass the interview will be asked to complete the comprehensive Washington Center online application that includes the following documents:**

- One-page Résumé
- Statement of Professional Interest
- 500-word Issues Essay to be used as a writing sample
- Two Letters of Recommendation
- Copy of Official Academic Transcript
- Copy of Official English Competency Test (i.e. TOEFL)
- Copy of Passport

**Important Dates and Deadlines (for Fall 2015)**

- Application Deadline: April 10, 2015
- Admissions Announcements: May 29, 2015
- Acceptance Confirmation: June 3, 2015
- Arrival and Housing Check In: August 26, 2015
- Program Orientation: August 27 & 28, 2015
- Internship Begins: August 31, 2015
- Internship Ends: December 11, 2015
- Housing Check-Out: December 12, 2015

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