The D.C. Internship Experience

The Washington Center provides more than an internship. Through our program, you will engage in meaningful coursework and programming, expand your network and transition from college life into your professional future.

**The Internship**
You can expect to work nearly full time at an internship that is tailored to your interests, skills and professional goals.

**The Leadership Forum**
Attend weekly events that include a speakers series, a career boot camp, a civic engagement project and more.

**The Academic Course**
TWC courses range across many academic disciplines, and you’ll select one that meets during one evening each week.

**Networking and Social Activities**
Participate in your academic course

**Gateway to Washington, D.C.**
Spend a semester or term getting to know the nation’s capital. Here are just a few examples of the places you could go and the people you could meet through a TWC program.

- Intern with one of more than 1,000 sites located throughout Washington, D.C., Maryland or Virginia
- Take the Metro to Maryland to explore Bethesda, Silver Spring or Rockville*
- Have a policy dialogue with a member of Congress on Capitol Hill
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- Tour the National Air and Space Museum and many other free Smithsonian museums
- Expand your network at a National Press Club event
- Stay in shape with evening jogs on the National Mall
- Participate in your academic course

**TWC Support Network**
Many people are on hand to guide, support and educate you throughout your experience.

- **Academic Program Advisor** Helps you establish goals, organizes special programming and provides feedback on assignments.
- **Internship Site Supervisor** Oversees your professional work, provides tasks and direction, and evaluates your performance.
- **Professor** Teaches your academic course, facilitates class discussions and evaluates your academic work.
- **Internship Coordinator** Communicates with you pre-arrival, helps identify internship options and refers your materials to potential sites.
- **Student Services Staff** Provide career advice, organize cultural and networking events, and assist students with disabilities.
- **Alumni in Residence** Support you in TWC housing facilities and arrange social activities.
- **TWC Alumni** Connect with you through networking events or social media and may provide future job leads.
- **Fellow Interns** Share the TWC experience with you, help you explore all D.C. has to offer and may become lifelong friends.

**The Portfolio**
Throughout the semester, you will develop a portfolio to document, analyze and reflect on your experience, which will provide impressive evidence of your accomplishments in D.C.

*Internship sites or TWC housing may be located in nearby Virginia or Maryland.*