

WASHINGTON PROGRAM IN NATIONAL ISSUES

College of Sciences and Humanities
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Students participate in internships — in places such as Capitol Hill, in a governmental agency or with an interest group — and attend seminars. The program requires a semester-long residence in the Washington, DC, area. Alumni in the nation's capital continue to support the program by introducing students to the culture and serving as consultants and mentors.

About This Program

The Washington Program in National Issues offers Kent State students a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to live, learn and intern in Washington, D.C. Spend a semester immersed in the heart of American politics, gaining real-world experience through internships, seminars with policy experts and access to resources like the Library of Congress — all supported by a network of dedicated alumni. Read more...

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Program Delivery

- **Delivery:**
 - In person
- **Location:**
 - Washington, D.C.

Admission Requirements

The program is open to junior and senior students from all academic disciplines with a minimum 2.750 overall GPA.

Program Requirements

Code	Title	Credit Hours
Program Requirements		
POL 42990	WASHINGTON PROGRAM IN NATIONAL ISSUES (ELR)	15
Minimum Total Credit Hours:		15

Full Description

The Washington Program in National Issues was established in 1973 through the initiative of Washington-based alumni who sought to provide Kent State University undergraduates with a unique living and learning experience in the nation's capital.

The purpose of the program is to accomplish the following:

- Facilitate learning about the U.S. political system through briefings with government officials and other working professionals in Washington, DC
- Develop a personal understanding of the demands and rewards of the professional work world through an internship experience
- Encourage initiative through individualized research, which may involve resources at the Library of Congress, among other sit