

2024 SUMMER PROGRAM

June 1 - July 26

Application Deadlines

Early Deadline December 5

Priority Deadline February 8

DCinternships.org

How to Apply

Applications for the Summer 2024 Program will open in the fall of 2023 on DCinternships.org.

Questions?

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"The Liberty + Learning Fellowship was a wonderful way to connect with like-minded students while experiencing living and working in Washington D.C. for the first time. It was nice knowing that there were other students that are working towards similar career goals in the liberty movement that I could have fruitful conversations with." -Jessica Power '22



Spend your summer in Washington, D.C., and increase your understanding of our nation's founding principles. The nation's capital is the ideal place to join other student leaders to learn more about taking action to advance liberty around the country and world.

The Liberty + Learning Fellowship provides a full scholarship to live, learn + intern during the TFAS summer program in Washington, D.C. The fellowship includes courses on freedom-based principles from George Mason University, an internship placement with organizations committed to advancing the cause of liberty, and furnished housing in the heart of Washington, D.C. Students participate in a variety of exclusive guest lectures, site briefings as well as professional development and networking events.

LIBERTY FOCUSED LECTURES

Weekly guest lectures allow you to engage with some of the best public policy experts and political minds in D.C. Past speakers include:

- **Arthur Brooks**, President of American Enterprise Institute (former)
- **Jason Riley**, Senior Fellow, Manhattan Institute and Columnist, Wall Street Journal
- **Scott Walker**, President, Young America's Foundation
- **Steve Hanke**, Professor of Economics, Johns Hopkins University

Our annual series on "Free Markets, Individual Liberty and Civil Society" allows students to hear firsthand from today's leaders who are advancing the cause for freedom, civil liberties, and free enterprise. The series of lectures are held in partnership with the Office of **Senator Rand Paul** of Kentucky. Past speakers include:

- **Johan Norberg**, Author and Documentary Filmmaker and Senior Fellow at Cato Institute
- **Judge Andrew Napolitano**, Senior Judicial Analyst, Fox News
- **Greg Lukianoff**, President of the Foundation for Individual Rights and Expression



LIVE

Reside in furnished apartments in downtown Washington, D.C. with a built-in social network.

LEARN

Earn credit from a top research university. Attend site briefings and guest lectures.

INTERN

Gain real-world experience through a guaranteed internship placement in Washington, D.C.



ACADEMICS

Classes

Students take two classes and earn 6 credits from George Mason University. The courses are designed to complement your D.C. internship experience by offering a thorough examination of our free market system and the economic way of thinking. Elective classes cover engaging topics such as American political thought or U.S. foreign policy, as well as an internship seminar.

Debates

Hone your critical, analytical and reasoning skills by engaging in student-led debates on current issues like objectivity in journalism, federal minimum wage, border security or universal healthcare.

GUARANTEED INTERNSHIP

The program guarantees an internship placement with an organization committed to advancing the cause of liberty. Dedicated staff works to match students with an internship that fits their interests, skills and career goals. Past internships sites include Congress, federal agencies, think tanks, Fortune 500 Companies, government affairs firms, embassies, nonprofits and media outlets.

NETWORKING + BRIEFINGS

Alumni Roundtable + Networking Reception

Meet with program alumni and industry leaders to learn how to leverage your D.C. experience into a future internship or full-time job after graduation. Participants include top lobbyists, nonprofit executives, journalists, Capitol Hill staffers, Foreign Service officers and policy makers.

Site Briefings

Attend exclusive tours and hear from leaders within such powerful institutions as:

- American Enterprise Institute
- Cato Institute
- Central Intelligence Agency
- Embassies
- Federal Reserve
- National Press Club
- U.S. Congress
- U.S. Department of State
- U.S. Securities + Exchange Commission
- World Bank

Mentor Program

Be matched with a D.C. professional working in your career field. Your mentor will be another contact on the ground before you arrive in D.C. and during your internship.

Professional Development Seminars

Attend weekly seminars covering essential job searching topics such as resume, cover letter and interviewing preparation, as well as skill-building in areas that will help set you apart in today's competitive job market including public speaking, networking, personal finances, graduate school admissions, and fellowships.

STUDENT LIFE

Housing

Enjoy an engaging community of peers in furnished housing in Foggy Bottom or Capitol Hill. Amenities include high speed internet, laundry on site, in-suite bathrooms and private kitchens. Metro access, grocery stores + restaurants all within walking distance.

Excursions + Social Events

We also organize many exciting cultural and social events designed to show you the city while building lasting friendships:

- Guided Tours of the National Mall, Georgetown + Capitol Hill
- Washington Nationals Baseball game
- Outings to the Smithsonian museums, zoo + botanic garden
- Kayaking on the Potomac River
- Day trips to Mount Vernon, Arlington Cemetery + Monticello
- On-campus dinners, socials and study breaks