

# WASHINGTON SEMESTER SUMMER INTERNSHIP PROGRAM

*at* AMERICAN UNIVERSITY



## Colloquium in International Affairs

Course Code:	WSEM-400-003
Credit Hours:	3 Credits
In-Class Contact Hours:	3.5 contact hours per week/24.5 contact hours for the summer term
Internship Hours:	32+ per week/224+ for the summer term
Portfolio:	Students will create a comprehensive portfolio of their internship and seminar experiences at the end of the term.

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### Course Description

This colloquium provides in-depth understanding of the world of foreign policy, while examining emerging issues on the world stage. Alongside traditional lectures, students will meet with decision makers and experts in international relations, the State Department, Congress, think tanks, embassies, and international organizations.

### At the conclusion of this course, students will be able to:

- Understand the basic principles and purposes of US foreign policy.
- Describe the major themes and patterns in US foreign policy.
- Identify current US foreign policy priorities.
- Identify key influencers and forces that inform and constrain US decision-making and implementation.
- Compare and contrast diverse positions on key issues related to the conduct of US foreign policy.
- Articulate their own perspectives on important issues in the field.