

# DC Internships, Capital Semester Political Journalism Interns

## Background:

For over 45 years, DC Internships has created academic internship experiences, which has lead 40,000 interns to gain real-world experience, build their resumes and sharpen their professional skills. The Capital Semester Political Journalism track is sponsored by The Fund for American Studies (TFAS).

As part of the DC Internship Program, students are guaranteed an internship placement in the DC area. Internship sites include:

- Newspapers
- Magazines
- Online publications
- News services
- TV stations
- Radio stations
- Communication firms

## Description:

Capital Semester is an academic internship program held each fall and spring in Washington, DC for undergraduates interested in journalism, communications and public relations. Students gain substantive professional experience by interning approximately 30 hours a week while earning academic credit in government and economics from George Mason University.

This fast-paced, residential program provides student from around the world with opportunities to gain an edge in today's competitive job market and graduate school admissions, as well as experience the excitement of Washington first-hand.

- Internships: Competitive placements with top newspapers, public relations firms, TV stations and radio stations in DC
- Classes: 12 transferable credit hours from George Mason University
- Housing: Roommate matching and furnished apartments in the Capitol Hill neighborhood
- Guest Lectures: With Washington's top policy and media experts
- Exclusive Briefings: At Capitol Hill, Supreme Court, State Department, National Press Club and Newseum
- Leadership & Professional Development: Leadership, mentoring and career-building activities
- Networking: Interactions with seasoned journalists and student leaders from around the world
- Scholarships: Over 70% of students receive scholarship awards based on merit and financial need

## Requirements:

Admissions decisions are made on a rolling basis with preference given to early applicants. Details on the admissions process including tuition fees, deadlines and an online application can be found at [www.DCinternships.org/CS](http://www.DCinternships.org/CS)

Application Requirements are:

- Official Transcript
- Letter of recommendation from a professor or former supervisor
- Resume
- Short writing samples
- \$50 application fee