



THE WASHINGTON SCHOLARS PROGRAM

WASHINGTON JOURNALISM AND MEDIA CONFERENCE
WASHINGTON YOUTH SUMMIT ON THE ENVIRONMENT

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With its distinguished list of faculty, guest speakers, and direct access to D.C., WJMC is the place to be for aspiring journalists. Through hands-on learning experiences, students are challenged to solve problems and explore the creative, practical, and ethical tensions inherent in journalism and media.

The hands-on experiences are complemented by speakers who are well-known leaders in the field. Presenters include prominent journalists, CEOs of major media outlets, researchers, and recent college graduates already successful in the field. Speakers engage participants in discussions on the topics explored in energy-charged role-playing experiences, taking students far beyond a traditional classroom experience.

EXCLUSIVE INTERVIEWS

with journalism and media professionals allow students to ask the questions they want and get insight into a career in journalism.

REAL-WORLD SIMULATION

puts students in the shoes of a journalist as they work to develop a project based in current events and practice public speaking by presenting their work to their peers and program staff.

SCHOLARSHIPS

are need-based and are offered to approximately 30% of students who attend each summer.

ON-CAMPUS HOUSING

provides students with an immersive, residential pre-college experience at a major university while attending the week-long Conference.

COLLEGE CREDIT

is awarded to program participants by George Mason University. The credit is one general elective credit transferrable to other institutions.

REPRESENTATION

from 50+ states and countries ensures a mix of student perspectives and diversity of views.

ALUMNI IMPACT

“...One of the most meaningful aspects of WJMC was building a social network of journalism peers and mentors. I continue to draw upon the skills learned from the speakers...particularly digital storytelling strategies, in this revolutionary period in journalism.”



Doni Holloway
WJMC 2013

“The lessons you learn about the past, present and future of journalism through WJMC are unlike any other. The dialogues you have about the first amendment and producing quality journalism are more important than ever!

Jenna Cohen
WJMC 2017



THE WASHINGTON YOUTH SUMMIT ON THE ENVIRONMENT

The Washington Youth Summit on the Environment (WYSE) is a hands-on, interactive program that provides high achieving high school students with an interest in the environment, conservation, sustainability, and related fields with a unique experience exploring careers in these areas.

Students take an active role in the curriculum through exclusive behind-the-scenes exploration of the facilities and laboratories of the Smithsonian's National Zoo, specialized field visits, and sessions with researchers, scientists, directors and program staff. Students are led in small groups by faculty advisors who are local experts in these fields and have extensive experience in conservation and the environment.





BEHIND-THE-SCENES

field visits allow students to explore the life of environmental scientists and get exclusive access to field site locations.

PROGRAM PARTNERS

including Smithsonian's National Zoo and National Geographic Society work with program staff to provide a unique learning experience that include access to speakers, facilities, and curriculum.

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"WYSE was one of the most empowering experiences of my life. Collaborating with the program staff, alumni, and my cohort from all walks of life made me realize what great things we're capable of, regardless of age..."



Jordan Fuentes
WYSE 2018

"WYSE has changed my life. Not only did it lead me to choosing environmental biology as my degree but it opened the door to a family and community of like minded people."



Brianna Wagner
WYSE 2012

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