

## Seminar on US Foreign Policy Priorities – with the Experts (Washington DC, May 15 – 26, 2023)

This course is intended to familiarize students about current global priorities by engaging directly with some of America's leading foreign policy experts in Washington DC through a partnership with the American Academy of Diplomacy. The "Academy" is the premier foreign policy association in the US whose members are former career and non-career U.S. government officials who have served with distinction in international affairs.

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The two-week Washington DC course segment will consist of two parts. During mornings Academy members will lead discussions by examining global regions (e.g., East Asia, Africa, Western hemisphere, etc.) and cross-cutting themes (international security, health and the environment, human rights and refugees, etc.) During afternoons students will visit select think tanks, foreign embassies, and policy groups to hear directly from their experts on issues the institution is currently prioritizing. Depending on Congressional schedules, students may also meet with congressional staff who follow global issues on the House Foreign Affairs and Senate Foreign Relations committees. In addition to a course grade and credit, students will also earn a certificate from the AAD.

May 10 or 11 – Video: Course orientation with Ambassador Nagy

May 14 – Arrive Washington DC and area familiarization by Ambassador Nagy

May 15 – 26 - Washington DC: American Academy of Diplomacy – discussions with experts; two sessions daily (9 AM-12:30 PM)

- The Foreign Policy establishment
- International Security
- Europe and Eurasia
- Global Pandemics
- Middle East
- Foreign Assistance
- Western Hemisphere
- Climate and Environment
- South Asia
- Economic Growth & Energy
- East Asia and Pacific
- Public Diplomacy
- Central Asia
- Commercial Diplomacy
- Cyber Issues
- Peace Corps

Sub-Saharan Africa  
Democracy and Human Rights  
Refugees and Migration  
International Organizations

May 15-26 – Washington DC: discussions with think tanks, policy groups, Embassies (TBD):

Atlantic Council  
US Institute for Peace  
Heritage Foundation  
National Democratic Institute/International Republican Institute  
Senate Foreign Relations Committee staff  
House Foreign Affairs Committee staff  
Ethiopian Embassy  
Hungarian Embassy

Grading will be based on participation and the maintenance of a journal.