

The United Nations Summer Seminar



UN in Session

Since 1966, students from all UW System campuses and other universities have participated in this five-week, six-credit program at United Nations Headquarters in breathtaking Manhattan. The four weeks in New York include special access to UN facilities and intensive interaction with over 40 experts representing governments and international organizations.

Meetings with our group of students are held at either the diplomatic missions of UN member countries or at the UN. Each talk is followed by a question-and-answer period, in which student interests direct discussion.

Country meetings are held with traditional and emerging great powers, states involved in military conflicts, and a broad sample of others drawn from all of the major world regions. UN organization meetings cover major issues such as peacekeeping missions, international terrorism, economic development, and environmental conservation.



New York Stock Exchange

Academic Content



Aerial View of the UN

The program investigates the fundamental issues about international organizations. How do they work? What impacts do they have? How do regimes and governments ruling the member countries use international organizations to pursue their goals?

What is the influence of regional and global alliances and power relationships? We describe the institutional and coalitional structure of the United Nations. We then analyze the most important areas of UN activity: war, conflict resolution, terrorism, weapons of mass destruction, human rights, and economic development.

The program's first week at UW-Milwaukee provides an intensive academic introduction to these issues.

The first three weeks in New York are spent in more detailed discussions with real-world practitioners, diplomats and UN organization officers. Students write research papers on topics of their choice. The last week in New York is left open for student research, using interviews and local research sources.



Brooklyn Bridge

New York City



Central Park

Students live in New York University dorms just south of the United Nations complex. The dorms are high-quality, shared apartments, located in the Union Square-Washington Square area.

This is an unbeatable location at the very heart of Manhattan—walking distance or short subway rides from famous destinations and neighborhoods such as Central Park, Rockefeller Center, Times Square, Greenwich Village, Soho, Little Italy, Chinatown, Wall Street, the Brooklyn Bridge, the Hudson River Promenade, the High Line Park, the Meatpacking District, and Chelsea. The city's architecture, museums, theaters, shopping, restaurants, and nightlife are unmatched anywhere on earth.

New York is the center for many important businesses—such as mass media, publishing, advertising, fashion, finance, law, and non-profits. Interested students use their time in New York to make connections, find internships, and look for jobs.



Central Park Fountain



Times Square

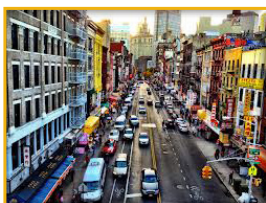
SUMMER SEMINAR

Program Dates

- Five weeks beginning around Memorial Day, mostly in June; dates vary slightly each year.



Statue of Liberty



Chinatown



Empire State Building

University Credits

- Six credits total: Political Science 337 (International Organization and the United Nations- 3 credits) and Political Science 338 (Contemporary Problems in International Relations - 3 credits).

Program Costs

- Include regular university fees for six course credits, plus a program fee that covers student housing in New York and other program costs. Students must arrange their own housing during the Milwaukee portion, and pay for transportation to and from New York.
- Financial aid: May be used by qualifying students to cover program costs.
- Eligibility: A minimum 2.5 GPA is required (4.0 scale).



Aerial View of Central Park

Electronic Application:

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