



International Politics & Foreign Policy Summer Seminar Washington, DC, & New York City May 19 – June 21, 2025*



Led by UW-Milwaukee Professor Shale Horowitz

Application deadline: February 16, 2025

Online application open from: October 1, 2024

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About the Program:

Since 1966, students from all UW System campuses and other universities have participated in this 6-credit program. Students spend the first week at UW-Milwaukee in an intensive study of international relations, foreign policy, and international organizations. (Students are responsible for Milwaukee accommodations, which are NOT included in program fees.) The Seminar then moves to Washington for one week and on to New York City for another three weeks. In Washington and New York, students attend regular briefings with diplomats representing countries from around the world, along with experts from international organizations, think-tanks, and mass media outlets. The last week is left open for student research. In Washington, DC, students stay in centrally-located Dupont Circle—a short subway ride from the National Mall's monuments and museums and walking distance from the Adams-Morgan and Georgetown neighborhoods. In Manhattan, students live in New York University dorms—walking distance or short subway rides from Central Park, Midtown, Greenwich Village, Soho, Little Italy, Chinatown, and Wall Street. New York's architecture, museums, restaurants, theaters, shopping, and nightlife are unmatched anywhere on earth.

Academic Content:

The program focuses on foreign policymaking and international organizations—especially the United Nations—within the larger context of ruling regimes and global power relationships. Theories of international conflict and international economic policymaking are the foundation for understanding the core issues of international relations: war, terrorism, arms control, human rights, international economic relations, and environmental conservation.

Students will be graded on an exam and a major research paper. Attendance and active participation are mandatory at all program-related, scheduled activities. Emphasis is placed on intensive interaction with approximately 35 real-world experts representing governments, international organizations, think-tanks, and media outlets. Students have two weeks after their return from New York to submit their final research papers.

Course Offerings (6 credits total):

Political Science 337 (3 credits) – International Organization and the United Nations. Collective security as an approach to international peace. Emphasis on the changing nature of the UN, its major problems, and the current national and bloc politics of member states.

Political Science 338 (3 credits) – Contemporary Problems in International Relations. Selected aspects of international institutions and politics. Note: Students will be enrolled for 6 credits of Political Science 338 if they have already taken Political Science 337.

Courses will be integrated and taught as a single class for the entire group. **Please NOTE: Courses cannot be audited. Students MUST be enrolled for graded credit.**

Upon acceptance into the program, students will be sent registration materials and instructions. Non-UWM students should consult with an advisor at their home campus to determine if credits earned in this program will apply toward graduation or degree requirements at their institution.

*Subject to confirmation of proposed dates by New York University and other housing providers.

Eligibility Requirements:

A minimum 2.5 GPA is required (4.0 scale). All students—freshmen and sophomores as well as juniors and seniors—are encouraged to apply.

Non-Academic Information:

Students are responsible for arranging their own outgoing and return flights, as well as transportation to and from the airports.

The New York University Office of Summer Housing places our students in an apartment-style hall. Each studio apartment-type room has its own kitchen and bath facilities. This housing is safe; located in the heart of lower Manhattan; and is only a short subway or bus ride (or walk) to the United Nations. The apartments are air-conditioned. Our group is normally housed together in the same building. The shorter stay in Washington, DC, is at youth hostel-style accommodations in the downtown area. UWM will handle room reservations for the group.

Estimated Costs of the Program (based on 2024 program fees; may vary based upon UWM tuition and NYU housing rates):

Approx. UN Summer Seminar Program Fee (includes DC and New York housing, UN Tour, and program administration costs)	\$ 3300.00
UW-Milwaukee Summer Tuition - 6 credits (based on Summer 2024 rates)	
WI Resident	\$ 1817.34
Minnesota Reciprocity	\$ 2370.48
Non-resident	\$ 4249.44
Miscellaneous (airfare, food, recreation, etc.)	\$ 1250.00-\$ 1500.00

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UN Seminar applicants must submit an online application, an unofficial transcript (must be official for non-UW-Milwaukee students), an academic recommendation, and a \$250 deposit (includes a \$50 application fee that is non-refundable if, after being accepted to the program, students drop out). All application materials not submitted electronically should be mailed or delivered to Sue Conway at the address below.

Non-UWM Applicants:

Please begin your application at least two weeks prior to the deadline (that is, by February 2), to accommodate the longer time necessary to process non-UWM applications into the on-line system. As soon as you begin your application, please also email your intent to apply to Sue Conway <conways@uwm.edu> and Shale Horowitz <shale@uwm.edu>. This way we will be able to make sure that your application is processed and considered in a timely fashion.

For additional information, please contact:

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