

# National Student Leadership Conference

## Political Action & Public Policy

### Washington, D.C.

#### Program Overview & Sample Daily Schedule

*The following Program Overview & Sample Daily Schedule are designed to give you a better understanding of the activities in a typical session as well as the flow of a typical day. This is a sample schedule based upon past programs. While not all sessions are exactly the same, this is reflective of the activities that take place during the program.*

##### Day 1

- Registration
- Campus Tours of American University
- College Credit Registration (*optional*)
- Opening Ceremony
- TA Group Orientation

##### Day 2

- Team Building Activity
- Leadership Series: Personality Styles & Group Dynamics
- Simulation: Campaign
  - Campaign Committee
  - National Committees
  - Interest Groups
  - Media Corps
- Simulation: Senate Committee
- Social

##### Day 3

- Trip: Capitol Hill & the Smithsonian Museum
  - U.S. Capitol
  - U.S. Supreme Court
  - Congressional Visits (*optional*)
  - Library of Congress
  - Air & Space Museum
  - American History Museum
  - Natural History Museum
  - African American Museum
- Leadership: Public Speaking
- Lecture Series: Inside Politics: Political Parties, Interest Groups & Think Tanks
- Simulation: Senate Committee
- Social

##### Day 4

- Guest Speaker
- Lecture Series: Legislative Process
- Campaign Simulation
- Documentary Film
- Primary Elections
- Party Caucus
- Pizza Social

##### Day 5

- Trip: U.S. State Department
- Guest Speaker: Government Official
  - U.S. Secretary
  - Member of Congress
- Campaign Simulation
- Simulation: Senate Committee
- Leadership: Conflict Resolution
- Trip: Washington at Night Tour
  - Lincoln Memorial
  - MLK Memorial
  - Jefferson Memorial
  - FDR Memorial
  - Vietnam & Korean War Memorials
  - Iwo Jima Memorial

##### Day 6

- Trip: Holocaust Memorial Museum
- Simulation: Senate Committee
- Leadership Series: Negotiations
- Presidential Debate
- Guest Speaker: Interest Group
- Performance at the Ronald Reagan Building: Capitol Steps

##### Day 7

- Trip: Newseum
- Guest Speaker: Political Analysts
- Lecture Series: Campaign 2016
- Campaign Simulation
- Leadership Series: Commitment in Action

##### Day 8

- Simulation: Senate Committee
- Final Leadership Session
- Senate Simulation: Final Voting
- Election Day!
- Final Dance

##### Day 9

- Presidential Inauguration
- Closing Ceremony
- Final TA Meeting
- Student Departure

# National Student Leadership Conference

## Political Action & Public Policy

### Washington, D.C.

#### Sample Daily Schedule

##### Day 5

7:30am-8:45am	Breakfast AU Terrace Dining Room
8:30am	Board Buses
<b>9:30am-10:30am</b>	<b>Site Visit: U.S. State Department</b> <i>Neat Attire</i>
10:45am	Board Buses <i>*box lunch</i>
<b>11:45am-12:45pm</b>	<b>Guest Speaker:</b> <b>Secretary Jeh Johnson</b> <b>Department of Homeland Security</b> <i>Professional Attire</i>
<b>1:45pm-3:15pm</b>	<b>Campaign Simulation</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Campaign Committees</li><li>• National Committees</li><li>• Interest Groups</li><li>• Media Corps</li></ul> <i>Neat Attire</i>
<b>3:30pm-4:45pm</b>	<b>Senate Simulation</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Health, Educator, Labor &amp; Pensions Committee</li><li>• Foreign Relations</li><li>• Energy &amp; Natural Resources</li><li>• Judiciary</li><li>• Armed Services</li></ul> <i>Neat Attire</i>
5:00pm-6:00pm	Dinner AU Terrace Dining Room
<b>6:15pm-7:30pm</b>	<b>Leadership Session</b> <b>Conflict Resolution</b> <i>Neat Attire</i>
7:45pm	Board Buses
<b>8:00pm-10:30pm</b>	<b>Washington Monuments at Night</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Lincoln Memorial</li><li>• MLK Memorial</li><li>• Jefferson Memorial</li><li>• FDR Memorial</li><li>• Vietnam and Korean War Memorial</li></ul> <i>Casual Attire w/casual walking shoes</i>
10:45pm	Floor Check