

Sample Schedule

Washington, D.C. ~ New York City

Day One: Welcome to Washington, D.C.

Arrival in Washington, D.C. and Conference Registration
Setting the Stage: Global Young Leaders Conference Overview
University Admissions Seminar: Question-and-Answer Session with George Mason University Representatives
Gateway to Leadership: Welcome Session
Leadership Group Meeting: Orientation and Country Briefing

Day Two: Discovering Common Ground

Leadership Group Meeting: Communicating and Collaborating in a Cross-Cultural Community
Cross-Cultural Communication and Leadership Speaker: Increasing Global Literacy
Visit to Washington, D.C. Memorials
 Lincoln Memorial
 Vietnam Veterans Memorial
 Korean War Veterans Memorial
 World War II Memorial
Launching the Leadership Journey: Keynote Address

Day Three: Exploring the Diplomatic Community

Leadership Group Meeting: Sustainability Issues Roundtable
 Roles of Civil Society, Government, and Business
 Creating Opportunities for Young People
Diplomacy at the Highest Level: Briefing at the U.S. Department of State
Lunch in Dupont Circle Historic District
Diplomacy at Work: Explore the Embassies of Washington, D.C.
White House Photo Opportunity
Leadership Group Meeting: Sustainable Development Issues Drafting
 Turning Goals into Real-World Solutions

Day Four: 21st Century Global Issues

World Bank Speaker: Building Prosperity and Working to End Poverty
Global Issues Workshops
 Sustainable Cities and Communities
 Clean Water and Sanitation
 Affordable and Clean Energy
Letting Your Voice Be Heard: Global Summit Simulations and Negotiations
The Olympic Games of the Global Young Leaders Conference

Day Five: Reflecting on Our Past, Impacting Our Future

Group Photo in Front of the U.S. Capitol

Smithsonian Institution Visit

Lunch on the National Mall

Explore the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum

Cultural Exchange: Learn From and About Peers From Around the World

Day Six: Birthplace of America

Lunch in Philadelphia and College Campus Expedition at the University of Pennsylvania

Arrival to New York City and St. John's University

Leadership Group Meetings: Commission Selection and Leadership Team

Elections

Day Seven: Exploring the Big Apple

Leadership Group Meetings: Preparations for Global Summit

Lunch in Chinatown or Little Italy

Explore the Metropolitan Museum of Art (The Met): The United States' Largest Art Museum

The Crossroads of the World: Experience Bustling Times Square

Day Eight: Creating Solutions to World Issues

Catalyst for Global Change: A Briefing from a United Nations Representative

Commission Meetings: Resolution Writing, Analysis, and Presentations

Strategy Session: Coalition Building and Speech Writing

National Delegations Rally

Red, White, and Blue Barbecue—Enjoy a Traditional American Cookout

Day Nine: Seeking Global Consensus: The Global Summit Convenes

The Global Summit Simulation: Capstone of the Conference

Lunch at Rockefeller Center

Visit the United Nations: the World's Home of International Peacekeeping

Farewell Dinner Cruise on New York Harbor

Enjoy Views of the Statue of Liberty and Brooklyn Bridge

Day Ten: Looking Forward

Leadership Group Meeting: Certificate Presentation

Commencement Ceremony

Depart or Begin Optional City Adventures: New York City

Optional Pre-Program Orientation: Washington, D.C. Introduction and University Admissions

Orientation Day One: Welcome to Washington, D.C.

Arrival and Check-In at Sheraton Pentagon City Hotel

Program Orientation: Overview of the Global Young Leaders Conference
Experience

Arrival Night Meet-and-Greet Activities

Orientation Day Two: Acclimating to the U.S. Capital

Navigating Nuances and Norms: An Introduction to American Culture
Tips, Dos, and Don'ts: Best Practices When in the United States

Visit to Washington, D.C. Memorials

Martin Luther King, Jr. Memorial

Franklin Delano Roosevelt Memorial

Thomas Jefferson Memorial

Explore the National Portrait Gallery

Group Photo on Steps of the Thomas Jefferson Memorial

Ice Cream Social

Orientation Day Three: Exploring Your Next Step—University Admissions

Visit to George Mason University

Speak with an Admissions Advisor

Tour the University Campus

Interview Preparation: Commonly Asked Questions

Structure of the SAT and ACT Standardized Tests

Components of a Compelling Essay

Lunch on the Campus of George Mason University

Return to the Hotel to Register for the Global Young Leaders Conference

Optional City Adventures: New York City At St. John's University

Optional Day Ten (continued): The Urban Island of Manhattan

Central Park Sightseeing

Tour the Financial District

Tales of U.S. History: Walk Along Wall Street

Photo Stop Outside the New York Stock Exchange

National September 11th Memorial

Journey to the Top of the Empire State Building

Optional Day Eleven: Navigating the Empire City

Shopping Along Iconic 5th Avenue

Times Square: Home of the New Year's Eve Countdown, the Ball Drop, and
the World's Most Visited Tourist Attraction

Union Square: A Historic Intersection

Optional Day Twelve: Visit New York City's Elite Universities

Columbia University

Exploration of Campus and Local Neighborhood

SoHo: One of New York's Trendiest Shopping Destinations

Greenwich Village: Home to Artists, Students, and Professionals

New York University

Exploration of Campus and Washington Square Park

An American Pastime: Bowling at Chelsea Piers

Optional Day Thirteen: Farewell and Safe Travels

Check Out and Depart for Airport