

**The Stanley Kaplan Program in American Foreign Policy** enables students to pursue studies of the past, present, and future of American leadership in world affairs. Thanks to a generous contribution, the program is able to bring distinguished visiting professors in both history and political science to spend a year offering courses to Williams students.

Student leadership is an important component of the Stanley Kaplan Program. Students play a major role in selecting guest speakers and planning monthly events related to American foreign policy. The program also sponsors a variety of fellowship opportunities, including internships and research positions, that enable students to pursue their interest in the study of American Foreign Policy.

**The Leadership Studies Program** draws on the College's exceptional faculty to offer a multi-disciplinary course of study with leadership-focused courses offered in ten different departments, as well as in the core programs. Students may graduate with a concentration and can choose to focus their study on a general leadership studies or an American foreign policy track.

The Leadership Studies Program also aspires to make distinctive contributions to the field. Consequently, it supports faculty research and publications, regularly hosts distinguished guest lecturers, and sponsors a number of symposia and conferences for various combinations of scholars, prominent leaders, alumni, and current students.

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# Williams College Summer Institute in American Foreign Policy



**June 30 - July 25, 2014**

Application Deadline:  
**March 15, 2014**

## Program Summary

Each year, the Summer Institute in American Foreign Policy selects 15-18 students to participate in a rigorous four-week course devoted to the study of American foreign policy and strategy.

The Summer Institute consists of ten hours of classroom time each week. All students should be prepared for a rigorous course of study, including written assignments and a substantial amount of reading. The program also requires students to collaborate on projects designed to reflect the knowledge they have gained throughout their studies.

Through these projects, participants can expect to strengthen their oral presentation skills. Students should be able to demonstrate strong writing and conceptual skills prior to admission in the program.

The program staff will organize extracurricular activities in order to foster cohesion among the students and faculty. These activities might include visits to the Saratoga Battlegrounds, Tanglewood, and the Williamstown Theatre Festival, as well as local hikes, golfing, baseball games, and ropes courses.

For more information on the Summer Institute, visit our website at:

[leadership-studies.williams.edu/the-program](http://leadership-studies.williams.edu/the-program)

or contact any of the faculty or staff organizers listed in the brochure.

## Program Goals

1. Provide students with an intellectual foundation in American foreign policy and grand strategy, as well as a practical understanding of the unique challenges faced by policymakers.



2. Provide students an opportunity to master a subject of great importance and interact with fellow students and several members of the faculty in an intense and intimate academic setting.

3. Develop a set of intellectual and practical skills that will serve students beyond Williams College.

4. Identify opportunities to apply these skills through internships in Washington, DC, research positions at think tanks or other non-governmental organizations, or fellowships for graduate studies.



## Program Logistics

This program is free of charge. Students will also receive a \$1000 stipend.



Students will be housed on the Williams College campus. The program will cover all student expenses including room, board, course materials, and special events.

The Summer Institute is open to rising Sophomores, Juniors, and Seniors. It will run June 30 - July 25.

The summer 2014 application is posted on the Leadership Studies website. Rolling admissions begin January 6 and continue through March 15.



2010 Summer Institute students