



**AMERICAN
UNIVERSITY**
WASHINGTON, D.C.



American University - G-MEO Summer United States Study Program

July 19 - August 9, 2019

Washington D.C. and New York City



Program Highlight

- Overview of American politics, international relations, and culture
- Seven prestigious universities visit: Columbia University, Stevens Institute of Technology, Princeton University, United States Military Academy (West Point), Georgetown University, American University, George Washington University
- Real American education experience: Course taught by American University faculty members and live in AU dorms
- Certificate of the program provided by American University
- Distinctive cultural experience: U.S. capital Washington, D.C., and the economic and financial center - New York City

Program Overview

The three-week study tour consists of a two-week, intensive study and cultural experience in Washington DC followed by one week of guided travel in New York City. The tentative dates are July 19 to August 9, 2019.

Who Should Participate

- High school students who are above 18 years old, undergraduate students, graduate students
- Who are seeking a higher education in U.S. and other western countries
- Who intend to develop leadership skills and enhance team working capabilities
- Who want to become outstanding talent in international job market
- Who are eager to improve their professional, academic, public speaking, and language skills

Program Introduction

First Week

In the morning, students will dedicate to instructions on academic and public speaking skills training at American University. They will learn the most fundamental skills on studying and working in the United States. In the afternoon, students will enjoy university tour and museum visiting, which enables them to learn by experience. Weekend offers local excursions, themed activities and cultural events.

Second Week

Week two will focus on international relations and media. American University is located in Washington D.C., the heart of American politics and international affairs. The city is also the host of 297 foreign embassies from around the globe. While students will dedicate to on-site instructions in the morning, the afternoons open up visiting to the world most well-known international organizations. American University will organize team based events, and invite notable guest speakers for speech.

Third Week

For the last week of the program, student will participate in guided field trips to the biggest city as well as the financial heart of the United States – New York City. Students will be guided on a series of university tour in the New York and New Jersey area, where housed some of the world best universities. Moreover, students also have the opportunity to view some of the world most famous sites like Times Square and the Statue of Liberty etc.

The program will be concluded by a certificate issuing event which honors the talents who complete the program successfully.

The detailed Program Schedule is available in the appendix.

Admission to Summer Study Program

1. Completing G-MEO's online application before **April 15, 2019**
2. Approved by home department OR minimum GPA of 2.5 or international equivalent
3. Proof of English proficiency: CET score (and TOFEL or IELTS if applicable)
4. Sign on Summer Study Program Agreement. The deadline for program application and program fee payment is **April 30th, 2019**.

Program Fee

US \$5,625 per student (based on the exchange rate of April 1st 2019 if pay in RMB), **include:**

1. Education sessions, program management, teaching materials, and fees
2. One American University's official Certificate for the Program
3. DC and NYC housing and meal plans
4. DC and NYC public and dedicated bus transportations, airport pick up and drop off, and excursions.
5. Insurance (including medical, accident, political uprising and natural disaster evacuation).
6. Others (admission tickets, tours and visits, all activities)
7. Chaperone(s) and staff accompany throughout the entire program
8. Professional guide
9. Administration fee

Remark:

- Student will be accommodated in standard double room, and chaperone in double or single room (depending on the choice and payment).
- Bus transportation includes the airports pick-up and drop off, and excursions.
- The program fee does not include international airfare, and other cost that generated as results of students' own activities.

Refund Policy

1. Students who are denied a U.S. visa and have paid the full program fee will receive a 100% refund (minus the RMB200 program application fee).
2. Students who have obtained a U.S. visa and paid the full program fee but withdraw from the program more than 30 days prior to the program departure date will receive a refund of 50% of the program fee; if 15 -30 days prior to the program departure date, 30% of the program fee will be refunded; if less than 15 days prior to the program departure date, 20% of the program fees will be refunded (the amount refunded will less the non-refundable RMB200 program application fee).

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Program Partner Introduction



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American University (AU) is located in Washington D.C. The establishment of AU in 1893 embodies George Washington's dream of building a "national university" in the nation's capital. AU's more than 12,000 students are a microcosm of the world's diversity. AU has seven academic divisions: College of Arts & Sciences, Kogod School of Business, School of International Service, School of Communication, School of Professional and Extended Studies, School of Public Affairs, Washington College of Law.

American University enjoys high reputation in political science, public policy, international relations, business management and other professional disciplines. Its public policy major rank 15 on US NEWS. Many well-known political figures become faculty members after their retirement, therefore has attracted many foreign students to its campus. Today, AU is home to more than 1,300 international students, who represent diverse cultures and viewpoints from more than 140 countries.

A short distance from Washington, D.C.'s centers of government, business, research commerce, and art, the 84-acre traditional-style main campus is located in one of the most attractive, safest, and residential areas of Washington, D.C. Originally planned by Frederick Law Olmsted, the noted architect of New York City's Central Park, AU's campus was designated a national arboretum and garden in 2003.



Global Maximum Educational Opportunities Inc.

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Global Maximum Educational Opportunities Inc. (G-MEO), a social enterprise dedicated to promote the development of international education, was founded by well-known Chinese American educator Dr. David Chang in 2011 in the United States. G-MEO aims to provide a world class service in international education through partnerships with accredited educational institutions in the United States and abroad. Partnership, innovation, integrity and transparency are both our operational principles as well as the hallmarks of our spiritual pursuits.

Since the founding of the Company, G-MEO, under the leadership of David Chang, has established the Chengdu American Center for Study Abroad and the Suzhou Sino-American Center, as well as partnerships with well reputed universities in Greater China. The company has also established close relationships at various levels with more than 20 universities in the United States, enabling us to promote our study abroad programs among these schools. The Chengdu American Center for Study Abroad, a joint project with the Chengdu Municipal Government and well know Chinese universities, is a project in which we take special pride. It has attracted five American universities, including American University in Washington D.C., as its principle partners. It has not only pioneered an experiment in Sino-American educational cooperation but has also helped the Company develop extensive educational resources both in the United States and China.

Appendix I: Schedules

Week 1 – U.S. Academic Acculturation and Public Speaking

Date	Morning	Afternoon/Evening
Fri (07/19/2019)	Travel to Washington D.C.	Arrival in Washington, D.C. Check in at residence hall Dinner
Sat (07/20/2019)	Orientation	Lunch American University Tour
Sun (07/21/2019)	Overview of the week and introductions Cultural expectations in the classroom Presentation skills overview Presentation topics assigned	University Tour After the tour, students will have a free afternoon and evening.
Mon (07/22/2019)	Presentation by instructor Discussion topic 1 (TED TALK)	Monuments Tour Students will visit the Monuments on the National Mall (White House, Washington Monument, Capitol Building, MLK Memorial, WWII Memorial, etc.)
Tue (07/23/2019)	DC Scavenger Hunt 10:00 – 5:00 p.m.	
Wed (07/24/2019)	Short Individual Student presentations Discussion topic 2 (NPR)	University Tour
Thu (07/25/2019)	Student Group Presentations Review of the four days	Professional Development Workshop

Week 2 - U.S. Government & International Relations & ICONS Simulations

Date	Morning	Afternoon
Fri (07/26/2019)	United States Government Structure The Declaration of Independence and United States Constitution	Site Visit: Tour of Capitol Building; followed by photos at the Library of Congress, and Supreme Court
Sat (07/27/2019)	United States Government Structure: The Presidency, Congress, and the Supreme Court	Site Visit to: National Portrait Gallery Presidential Portraits Evening: Work on ICONS simulation exercise
Sun (07/28/2019)	International Relations and the role of Embassies and International Organizations & Trade	Site Visit to: World Bank
Mon (07/29/2019)	Smithsonian Museums – Noon to 6:00 p.m. Students will visit Museum of Natural History, National Air and Space Museum, the American History Museum, the Hirschhorn Museum, the National Museum of the American Indian.	
Tue (07/30/2019)	Free Day	
Wed (07/31/2019)	Student Activity Team Project @Newseum	Students work on Newseum Group Projects
Thu (08/01/2019)	Presentations (based on team activity at Newseum)	ICONS simulation exercise final session
Fri (08/02/2019)	Finalize ICONS Simulation Presentations	Free Afternoon

Week 3 – U.S. Institutions of Higher Education Visit and Cultural Immersion

Date	Morning	Afternoon	Evening
Sat (08/03/2019)	Leave AU (check out by 11:00 a.m.)	Princeton University - New York	Times Square
Sun (08/04/2019)	Columbia University Campus Visit	Stevens Institute of Technology Campus Visit	
Mon (08/05/2019)	Federal Reserve Bank of New York; Wall Street	Statue of Liberty; One World Trade Center Observatory	
Wed (08/06/2019)	West Point - United States Military Academy	Understand U.S. commerce culture: visit Woodbury)	
Tue (08/07/2019)	United Nations	Fifth Avenue; Central Park	Certificate Issuing Ceremony
Thu (08/08/2019)	Check out. Heading to airport	On airplane (New York to San Francisco to Chengdu)	
Fri (08/09/2019)	On airplane	Arrive in China. End of the program	

* The schedule is up to necessary changes. AU and G-MEO has the final prerogative to change the schedule.

Appendix II: Instructional and Faculty Contact Hours at American University

The American University program will offer approximately six (6) contact hours per day or 30 contact hours per week; or approximately 60 contact hours for the entirety of the 2-week program at American University.

During the two weeks, classes will be conducted from 8:30 a.m. to 11:30 from Monday through Friday. During the afternoons, there will be additional class hours by way of visits to area colleges, as well as tours and site visits of Washington organizations, government offices, and non-profits. The afternoon site visits will allow students to practice conversational English and to reinforce class learning.

Appendix III: The sample of American University's Certificate

