USF in D.C.

Program Goal

Students will experience first-hand the culture and politics of Washington D.C., where they will:

- explore the theory and practice of ethical public service by taking academically rigorous courses,
- connect with influential policy makers, members of the media, and USF alumni,
- pursue transformational internships, and
- take advantage of civic engagement opportunities.

Program Outcomes

Students will synthesize and apply knowledge gained from their academic field, previous service experiences, and the content of the service-learning program to inform their participation in civic life, politics, and government.

Students will demonstrate cultural humility as they navigate a situation's ethical, logical, cultural, and contextual factors.

Students will develop and implement situationally appropriate communication strategies including listening, speaking, clarifying, reflecting and adapting.

Students will describe and analyze the intersection of their own civic and social identities with cultural contexts and political processes unique to Washington D.C.

Students will develop research skills and apply appropriate methodologies to create reasoned, well-supported analysis of a research topic.