

2018 Washington Policy Seminar Pre-/Post-Conference Activities

As part of the 2018 Washington Policy Seminar (WPS), we are offering Fellows the opportunity to participate in **optional** pre- and post-conference activities. These activities will take place at the following times:

Sunday March 18, 10:30am-12:00pm
Pre-Conference Memorial Tours

Wednesday, March 21, 1:00pm-3:00pm
Post-Conference Site Visits

[SIGN UP FOR PRE- AND POST-CONFERENCE SITE VISITS HERE](#)

All pre- and post-conference activities will be hosted off-site from the Marriot Wardman Hotel, where WPS will be taking place. All locations are Metro accessible, but some memorials may be up to a 25-minute walk from the closest Metro station. Please note that meals or transportation costs will not be covered at any activity.

This packet includes information about each activity to help you make a selection, including:

- Background information and links
- Location and nearest Metro station(s)
- Estimated travel times between activity and the Marriott Wardman Hotel

Please carefully read the following before registering for any activity.

- Registration for all of these activities is **optional**.
- Fellows may register for both types of activities (memorial tour and site visit) but can only register for **one** individual activity of each type.
- Each activity has a maximum capacity and will close to new sign-ups once that cap is met. **Registering does not guarantee you a spot in that activity. Sign-ups for each activity will be on a first-come, first-served basis.** If the activity you are interested in has reached its maximum capacity, you will be allocated your next choice based on the registration survey.
- You will receive a confirmation email 1-2 business days after signing up for your activities. Detailed instructions about your activity(ies), including directions, will be emailed to you in early March.

Please note that travel times listed below are only estimates. Fellows should plan ahead to determine the best travel times and methods for their site visits. If you plan to use Metro, we suggest looking up schedules prior to your site visit, as train frequency fluctuates throughout the day. For more information about Metro, please visit <http://www.wmata.com>.

Pre-Conference Tours

Sunday, March 18, 10:30 am -12:00 pm

Various Locations

(optional)



[Smithsonian National Museum of African American History and Culture](#)

Click [here](#) to see location on a map.

Nearest Metro station: Federal Triangle (orange, blue, silver lines) – 15-minute walk

Estimated travel time from Fairmont Hotel by Metro: 20 minutes

Tour description: The National Museum of African American History and Culture is the only national museum devoted exclusively to the documentation of African American life, history, and culture. It was established by Act of Congress in 2003, following decades of efforts to promote and highlight the contributions of African Americans. To date, the Museum has collected more than 36,000 artifacts and nearly 100,000 individuals have become charter members. The Museum opened to the public on September 24, 2016, as the 19th and newest museum of the Smithsonian Institution.

Maximum capacity: 6 timed passes available- [ENTER OUR TWITTER CONTEST BY FEBRUARY 20th TO WIN ONE](#)

EPFP tour guide: Self-guided



[Smithsonian National Zoo](#)

Address: 3001 Connecticut Ave. NW, Washington, DC 20008

Click [here](#) to see location on a map.

Nearest Metro station: Woodley Park (red line) – 10 minute walk

Estimated travel time from Marriott Wardman Hotel by foot: 10 minutes

Tour description: Founded in 1889, the Zoo is part of the Smithsonian Institution, the world's largest museum and research complex. Today, the Zoo sits on 163 acres in the heart of Washington, D.C.'s Rock Creek Park and is home to more than 1,500 animals across 300 different species. At the Smithsonian's National Zoo and Conservation Biology Institute, we save species. We provide engaging experiences with animals and create and share knowledge to save wildlife and habitats.

Maximum capacity: Unlimited, free entry

EPFP tour guide: Self-guided

Pre-Conference Memorial Tours
Sunday, March 18, 10:30 am -12 pm
Various Locations
(optional)

Fellows have the options to visit DC memorials that particularly speak to leadership with alumni guides or time for self-guided visits of area attractions before the conference. These tours will take place on **Sunday March 18, from 10:30am-12pm**, preceding WPS.

EPFP alumni will be leading the memorial tours, which will highlight examples of leadership and policy and offer a history of the memorial and some historical context about the leader through an EPFP lens.

Fellows have the option of participating in **one** of the following two tours:



Kennedy Center

Click [here](#) to see location on a map.

Nearest Metro station: Foggy Bottom-GWU (orange, blue, silver lines) – 10-minute walk

Estimated travel time from Marriott Wardman Hotel by metro: 30 minutes

Tour description: Learn about John F. Kennedy's political savvy, his inspirational leadership style, and his drive for civil rights and innovation at the performing arts center built on the Potomac River as a living memorial to his legacy.

EPFP alumni tour guides: Peggy Siegel (OH EPFP 81-82), Debra Wiley (CO EPFP 84-85)

Maximum capacity: 20



Monuments and Memorials Walk

Click [here](#) to see location on a map.

Nearest Metro station: Smithsonian (orange, blue, silver lines) – 20-minute walk

Estimated travel time from Marriott Wardman Hotel by Metro: 40 minutes

Tour description: Visit the [Lincoln Memorial](#), [Martin Luther King, Jr. Memorial](#), and the [Franklin Roosevelt Memorial](#). Learn about each leader's historical challenges and effective leadership styles.

EPFP alum tour guides: Wanda Monthey (OR EPFP 95-96)

Maximum capacity: 20



Post-Conference Site Visits

Wednesday, March 21, 1:00pm-3:00pm
Various Locations
(optional)

Fellows have the opportunity to visit a local school and school district, national membership organization, think tank, or federal agency. These site visits will take place on **Wednesday, March 21, from 1:00-3:00 pm**, immediately following the conclusion of WPS.

Please note that travel times listed are only estimates. Fellows should plan ahead to determine the best travel times and methods for their site visits. If you plan to use Metro, we suggest looking up schedules prior to your site visit, as train frequency fluctuates throughout the day. For more information about Metro, please visit <http://www.wmata.com>.

Fellows have the option of participating in **one** of the following site visits:



[American Enterprise Institute \(AEI\)](#)

Organization type: Think tank

Address: 1789 Massachusetts Ave NW, Washington, DC 20036

Click [here](#) to view location on a map.

Nearest Metro stations: Dupont Circle (red line) – 5-minute walk

Estimated travel time from Marriott Wardman Hotel by Metro: 15 minutes

Organization description: The American Enterprise Institute is a community of scholars and supporters committed to expanding liberty, increasing individual opportunity and strengthening free enterprise. AEI pursues these unchanging ideals through independent thinking, open debate, reasoned argument, facts and the highest standards of research and exposition. Without regard for politics or prevailing fashion, we dedicate our work to a more prosperous, safer and more democratic nation and world.

Site visit description: AEI scholars will discuss research about Pre-K-20 education and the link between education and the economy.

Site visit host: Nat Malkus, Deputy Director of Education Policy Studies

Maximum capacity: 20



[Richard Wright Public Charter School for Journalism and Media Arts](#)

Organization type: Public charter school

Address: A770 M Street, SE Washington, DC 20003

Click [here](#) to view location on a map.

Nearest Metro station: Potomac Ave (orange line) – 10-minute walk

Estimated travel time from Marriott Wardman Hotel by Metro: 50 minutes

Organization description: Founded by EPFP Alum Marco Clark (DC EPFP 10-11), Richard Wright Public Charter School for Journalism and Media Arts is one of the most unique schools in the region. From professional organizations in the media industry, distinguished colleges and national educational associations, visiting artists and journalists, to an end of the year multimedia gala event, RWPCS continually provides unique opportunities for

its students to enhance, supplement, and stimulate each student's life holistically.

Site visit description: EPFP Fellows will see how Richard Wright Public Charter School focuses on developing skills in journalism and media arts, real world application, and having a voice in the community.

Site visit host: Jerome A. Young Jr. (DC EPFP 16-17), Upper Academy Director

Maximum capacity: 15



[U.S. Department of Education \(ED\)](#)

Organization type: Federal agency

Address: 400 Maryland Ave., SW, Washington, DC 20202

Click [here](#) to view location on a map.

Nearest Metro station: L'Enfant Plaza (green, yellow, orange, blue, silver lines) – 5-minute walk

Estimated travel time from Marriott Wardman Hotel by Metro: 30 minutes

Organization description: ED's mission is to promote student achievement and preparation for global competitiveness by fostering educational excellence and ensuring equal access. ED was created in 1980 by combining offices from several federal agencies. ED's 4,400 employees and \$68 billion budget are dedicated to establishing policies on federal financial aid for education, and distributing as well as monitoring those funds; collecting data on America's schools and disseminating research; focusing national attention on key educational issues; and prohibiting discrimination and ensuring equal access to education.

Site visit description: While at the U.S. Department of Education, Fellows will hear from leading experts at the Department, who will speak on various policy issues in the early learning, K-12, and higher education spaces and will learn what the Department is doing to advance President Trump's education initiatives.

Maximum capacity: 25

If you have any questions, please contact entwistleg@iel.org.