

## Seminar Schedule

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### **Monday May 14**

**Location:** Blue Cross Blue Shield Association, Room 1150 A & B, 1310 G St NW

- 7:45 am **Meet Hayley in hotel lobby**
- 8:30 am - 9:00 am **Breakfast provided by PLEN**
- 9:00 am - 9:30 am **PLEN Intro**
- 9:30 am - 10:00 am **Icebreakers**
- 10:15 am - 11:30 am **Panel: Introduction to Global Policy**  
The goal of this session is to introduce the diversity and complexity of the global affairs field.  
**Moderator:** *Kristin Haffert*, Co-Founder, Mine the Gap  
**Panelists:** *Valerie Dowling*, Director Women's Democracy Network, International Republican Institute (IRI)  
*Beverly Kirk*, Fellow and Director for Outreach, International Security Program and Director, Smart women, Smart Power Initiative, Center for Strategic and International Studies (CSIS)  
*Zuraya Tapia-Hadley*, Principal, The Raben Group
- 11:45 am - 12:30 pm **Activity: Student Introductions**
- 12:30 pm - 1:45 pm **Lunch provided by PLEN**
- 2:00 pm - 3:15 pm **Activity: Networking 101**  
*Sandra Buteau*, President, L2T Global Consulting LLC
- 3:30 pm - 4:45 pm **Panel: Multilateral Organizations**  
The goal of this panel is to introduce students to multilateral organizations, how they work, and to discuss the United States's changing role globally.  
**Moderator:** *Patrice Lee Onwuka*, Senior Policy Analyst, Independent Women's Forum  
**Panelists:** *Bonnie Jenkins*, Coordinator, Threat Reduction Programs, Bureau of International Security and Nonproliferation, U.S. Department of State  
*Shaila Manyam*, Senior Director, International Public Affairs & Crisis Communications, Burson-Marsteller  
*Varina Winder*, Chief of Staff, Family Planning 2020, United Nations Foundation

4:45 pm - 5:00 pm

**Debrief with PLEN staff**

Share with the group the new things you learned today and what you're excited to learn more about this week.

**Tuesday May 15**

9:00 am - 11:00 am

**Activity: Site Visits**

*\*\*Check the Site Visit Assignment sheet for times, locations, and assignments*

9:00 am (arrive by 8:45): Mathematica Policy Research

9:00 am: Environmental Defense Fund

9:30 am: Embassy of Spain

9:30 am: Embassy of Afghanistan

9:30 am: Mexican Cultural Institute

9:30 am: ONE Campaign

10:00 am: Office of International Relations, Smithsonian

10:00 am: Citigroup

11:00 am - 12:00 pm

**Lunch on your own**

**Location:** Dirksen Senate Office Building, Room SD-106, 2nd St NE

12:15 pm

**Arrive at Dirksen Senate Office Building**

12:45 pm - 2:00 pm

**Panel: Foreign Policy on Capitol Hill**

Explore the bodies of the US government that write, create, and implement foreign policy.

**Moderator:** *Mary Laurie*, Government Relations Manager, U.S. Global Leadership Coalition

**Panelists:** *Betsy Dudley*, Legislative Assistant, Office of Representative Steve Cohen (D-TN)  
*Laura Odato*, Team Chief for Personnel and Readiness in the Office of the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Legislative Affairs, Department of Defense  
*Katie Grant*, Communications Director and Senior Advisor, Office of Representative Whip Steny Hoyer (D-MD)

2:15 pm - 3:30 pm

**Panel: International Trade**

Discuss current policies in international trade and explore how global policy is influenced, created, and implemented.

**Moderator:** *Sarah Bruno*, Executive Director, PLEN

**Panelists:** *Elizabeth Johnson*, Manager of Global Programs, U.S. Trade and Development Agency  
*Moushami Joshi*, Attorney, International Trade, Pillsbury Winthrop Shaw Pittman LLP  
*Kelly Ann Shaw*, Trade Counsel, Committee on Ways & Means, U.S. House of Representatives

3:45 pm - 5:00 pm

**Activity: Salary Negotiation**

*Denise Riebman*, Director of Career Development and Alumni Services, Trachtenberg School of Public Policy and Public Administration, George Washington University (GWU); Founder, CareerHappinessCoaching.com

**Wednesday May 16**

**Location:** US Department of State

\*Meet in front of the 21st St NW entrance between Virginia Ave NW and C St NW

9:00 am - 10:30 am

**Panel: Careers at the State Department**

**Moderator:** *Whitney Savageau*, Special Agent, Bureau of Diplomatic Security

**Panelists:** *Barbara Debbage*, Foreign Service Information Management Specialist

*Shawanesh Underwood*, Foreign Affairs Officer

*Heather Joy Thompson*, Foreign Affairs Officer and Diplomat-in-Residence

10:30 am - 11:15 am

**Activity: Briefing for Nuclear Crisis Diplomacy Simulation**

*Jennie Gromoll*, Senior Advisor, Office of Multilateral Nuclear and Security Affairs, Bureau of International Security and Nonproliferation

10:15 am - 12:15 pm

**Panel: Senior Women at the State Department**

**Moderator:** *Marti Estell*, Senior Foreign Service Officer

**Panelists:** *Susan Stevenson*, Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary for the Bureau of Public Affairs

*Carol Thompson O'Connell*, Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for the Bureau of Population, Refugees, and Migration

*Hillary Batjer Johnson*, Deputy Coordinator for Homeland Security, Screening, and Designations, Bureau of Counterterrorism

12:15 am - 1:30 pm

**Lunch on your own**

1:30 pm

**Return to Department of State**

\*Check the *State Department Diplomacy Simulation sheet for assignments and entrances*

**Group #1** will return to 21st Street NW Entrance (between Virginia Ave NW and C St NW)

**Group #2** will go to 23rd Street NW Entrance (between Virginia Ave NW and C St NW)

2:00 pm - 4:00 pm

**Activity: Diplomacy Simulation: Nuclear Crisis**

\*Check the *State Department Diplomacy Simulation sheet for stakeholder group assignments*

**Location:** WeWork Dupont Circle, 12th Floor, 1875 Connecticut Ave NW

6:00 pm - 8:00 pm

**Activity: PLEN Alumnae Dinner**

Over dinner, PLEN students and mentors will discuss the successes and challenges that women face at different stages of personal and professional life.

*\*Check the PLEN Alumnae Dinner Assignment sheet for group assignments*

*\*Dinner provided by PLEN*

**PLEN Mentors:**

*Sophie Alphas*, Coordinator for Dine Out Partnerships

*Nicole Bohannon*, Global Education Managing Director, UN Association of the National Capital Area

*Dawn Cutler*, Educational Programs Administrator, Horatio Alger Association

*Jennifer Ham*, Foreign Service Officer, State Department

*Hayley Humiston*, Programs and Communications Manager, PLEN

*Cassandra Lewis*, Management and Program Analyst, International Trade Administration

*Donalene Roberts*, Research Assistant, Global Initiative for Human Rights, Heartland Alliance for Human Needs & Human Rights

*Sujan Sedhai*, Programs and Development Manager, PLEN

**Thursday May 17**

**Location:** American Truckers Association, 430 First Street SE, Suite 100

9:00 am - 10:15 am

**Activity: International STEM Policy Breakout Sessions**

*\*Check the Breakout Session Assignments sheet for assignments*

9:00 am - 10:15 am

**Panel: Cyber Security**

The goal of this session is to discuss cybersecurity in the context of international policy.

**Moderator:** *Camille Stewart*, Cyber, Technology, and Intellectual Property Attorney

**Panelists:** *Lauren Courchaine*, Strategic Policy Fellow, U.S. Air Force  
*Kaylee Cox*, Associate, Holland & Knight  
*Dr. Amelia Estwick*, Program Manager, National Cybersecurity Institute, Excelsior College  
*Julie Klein*, Cyber and National Security Policy Advisor, Senate Committee on Homeland Security and Government Affairs, Office of Senator Claire McCaskill (D-MO)

9:00 am - 10:15 am

**Panel: International Energy**

The goal of this session is to discuss current debates surrounding energy policy in the international arena.

**Moderator:** *Kate Guy*, Policy Program Manager, Truman National Security Project

**Panelists:** *Lola Infante*, Senior Director, Generation Fuels, & Market Analysis, Edison Electric Institute  
*Melody Bell*, Associate Deputy Assistant Secretary, Resource

Management in the Office of Environmental Management, U.S.  
Department of Energy

10:30 am - 11:45 am

**Activity: International Development Breakout Sessions**

*\*Check the Breakout Session Assignments sheet for assignments*

10:30 am - 11:45 am

**Panel: Global Public Health**

The goal of this session is to discuss public health policy in the context of international development.

**Moderator:** *Stacy Terrell*, Lead, Communications, Outreach & Diversity, Global Health Fellows Program, US Agency for International Development (USAID)

**Panelists:** *Carmen Coles Tull*, Acting Chief, Child Health and Immunization, United States Agency for International Development (USAID)  
*Janeen Madan Keller*, Policy Analyst, Center for Global Development  
*Nina Hasen*, Director, HIV and TB Programs, Population Services International (PSI)

10:30 am - 11:45 am

**Panel: International Education**

The goal of this session is to discuss education policy in the context of international development.

**Moderator:** *Kristen Geatz*, Special Assistant to the Executive Vice President, Institute of International Education (IIE)

**Panelists:** *Stacy Hope*, Communications Director, US Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe  
*Shehnaz Rangwala*, President and CEO, Leadership Global  
*Jennifer Rigg*, Executive Director, Global Campaign for Education

11:45 am - 3:15 pm

**Lunch on your own + free time**

**Location:** University of California, Washington Center, Multipurpose Room, 1608 Rhode Island Avenue, NW

3:15 pm

**Arrive at the University of California, Washington Center**

3:30 pm - 5:00 pm

**Panel: Diplomacy in Action: A Discussion with Women Ambassadors**

*Co-Sponsored by The Robertson Foundation For Government*

**Moderator:** *Jane Zimmerman*, Executive Director, American Research Center in Egypt

**Panelists:** *Ambassador Connie Morella*, Former Ambassador to the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD) 2003-2007, and former U.S House Representative (R-MD)  
*Ambassador Mari Carmen Aponte*, Assistant Secretary of State for Western Hemisphere, 2016- present, and Former Ambassador of the United States to El Salvador, 2010-2011, 2012-2015

*Ambassador Lisa Gable, Former U.S. Commissioner General to the 2005 World Exposition, Aichi Japan*  
*Ambassador Gina Abercrombie-Winstanley, Former Ambassador of the United States to Malta, 2012-2016*

5:00 pm - 7:00 pm

**Activity: Women in Global Policy Networking Reception**

Students will have the opportunity to practice their networking skills and connect with mentors who work in global policy in Washington, DC.

**Friday May 18**

**Location:** Airbus Group, Suite 800, 1101 Pennsylvania Ave NW

8:30 am - 9:00 am

**Breakfast provided by PLEN**

9:00 am - 10:15 am

**Panel: Work Life Balance**

Students will learn how to establish a good work-life balance, how to advocate for themselves in the workplace, and hear what navigating the professional world as an ambitious women is like.

**Moderator:** *Dina Shehata, Program Associate, US-Middle East Partnership Initiative Alumni Connection, International Research & Exchange Board (IREX)*

**Panelists:** *Asha Sharma Anthony, Managing Director, Society for International Development*  
*Jessica Milli, Study Director, Institute for Women's Policy Research (IWPR)*  
*Fabiola Cordova, Associate Director, Latin American Caribbean Division, National Endowment for Democracy*

10:30 am - 11:45 am

**Panel: Launching Your Career in Global Policy**

This panel will wrap up the themes of the seminar, including how to use your background to launch a successful career in global policy.

**Moderator:** *Spogmay Ahmed, Policy Associate, Global Advocacy, International Center for Research on Women (ICRW)*

**Panelists:** *Jennifer Bangoura, Career Services Specialist, School for International Training, 2U*  
*Jenna Ben-Yehuda, Vice President, Wittenberg Weiner Consulting, and Founder, Women's Foreign Policy Network*  
*Alexia D'Arco, Executive Director, Young Professionals in Foreign Policy*

12:00 pm - 1:00 pm

**Lunch on your own**

1:15 pm - 3:15 pm

**Activity: Final Roulette**

*\*Check Roulette Assignment sheet for activity schedule*

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In the Final Roulette, students will peer advise, get tips on their resumes, reflect on their PLEN experience, take #PLENTaughtMe photos, establish self care strategies, and set SMART goals.

**Resume Review Workshop Reviewers:**

*Grace Goldberg*

*Gamble Hayden*

*Yvette Williams*

*Debra Scholz*

*Lauren DeCrosta*

3:15 pm

**Final Reflection**