## Welcome Purdue Alumni,

The Center for C-SPAN Scholarship & Engagement at Purdue University is excited to invite alumni from the Washington, D.C. metro area to be part of our **alumni mentorship opportunities** with our Boilers Go to D.C. programs:

# **Boilers Go to D.C. Maymester**

# **Boilers Go to D.C. Summer Scholars Internship Program**

These mentorship programs are open to D.C. alumni from all different majors and career fields. Your expertise, wisdom, and guidance can make a profound difference in the lives of up-and-coming Boilermakers who are interested in careers in Washington, D.C. You will enrich the journey of these students interning and learning in D.C. and help them launch successful careers in our nation's capital.



# **Boilers Go to D.C. (Maymester)**

### About the Course:

Co-taught by C-SPAN founder and Purdue alum, Brian Lamb, the Boilers Go to D.C. Maymester course is an immersive learning program that takes students to Washington, D.C. for 2 weeks to study up close the historic interconnections of politics, communication, government, and news media and to learn about our nation's capital from the inside out.

# About the Mentorship:

Through this Boilers Go to D.C. Maymester program students who represent a variety of majors are matched with DC alumni mentors who are seasoned professionals from a range of career fields.

Mentors share their knowledge and experience with their student mentees to help them learn about different career paths, job search strategies, and living and working in our nation's capital.

Mentorship training and discussion topics are provided for alumni mentors and students.

### Mentor Commitment:

- Complete the mentorship survey and sign the Memo of Understanding and Program Guidelines
- Attend a 1-hour training session (virtual format)
- Meet with student mentee 3 times via virtual format from mid-March to mid-May
- Attend alumni mentor dinner and networking event



# **Boilers Go to D.C. Summer Scholars Internship Program**

#### About the Course:

Undergraduate students will spend the summer in Washington, D.C., the epicenter of policy and innovation while earning academic credit with an internship in government, non-profit, or private sector. The Boilers Go to D.C. Summer Scholars Internship Program provides students with career readiness training and professional development that will help prepare them for their internships. Students will gain vital skills and hands-on experience through professional internships as well as opportunities to enhance their career readiness through alumni mentoring, networking, and meaningful reflection assignments. Students accepted into the program are required to apply for and secure an in-person summer internship that will take place in Washington, D.C.

# About the Mentorship:

Through the Boilers Go to D.C. Summer Scholars Internship Program students who represent a variety of majors are matched with DC alumni mentors who are seasoned professionals from a range of career fields. Alumni mentors play a crucial role in offering insights into the job search process, reviewing resumes and cover letters, providing career guidance, and sharing their experiences and knowledge.

Mentorship training and discussion topics are provided for alumni mentors and students.

#### DC Alumni Mentor Commitment:

- Complete the mentorship survey and sign the Memo of Understanding and Program Guidelines
- Attend a 1-hour training session (virtual format)
- Meet with student mentee monthly via virtual format from October to May
- Meet with student mentee bi-weekly either in person or virtually from the first week in June through August

Once you are matched with a student, you will complete the mentor program forms and attend the mentorship training session. The number of mentor pairs will be dependent on the number of student and alumni participants.

## **BECOME A MENTOR**

Please complete the survey using the following link as your first step to becoming part of the Boilers Go to D.C. Mentoring Programs: <a href="https://bit.ly/BoilerMentors">https://bit.ly/BoilerMentors</a>

We look forward to having our Boilermaker Alumni be a part of this exciting mentorship program and BOILER UP!

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