

## Frequently Asked Questions



# Columbus Seminar 2019

**How do I apply for the Columbus Seminar?** Complete the form on the webpage or submit a paper application by **December 15th** to the Levin College of Urban Affairs: Office of Student Services, UR 205, or email it to [urbanprograms@csuohio.edu](mailto:urbanprograms@csuohio.edu).

**Who is eligible to participate?** Preference is given to degree-seeking juniors, seniors, law, and graduate students who are in good academic standing.

**When will I hear if I'm accepted?** Students may be accepted on a rolling basis, with decisions made by December 15th. Priority will be given to those who apply by **November 30th**.

**What additional costs are there?** Students pay regular graduate or undergraduate tuition for the Seminar, which is worth 4 graduate or undergraduate credits. A fee of \$500—payable with tuition—is assessed. Limited scholarship funds may be available. The Levin College provides lodging (double occupancy) in a hotel near the Statehouse. Students are responsible for transportation to and from Columbus, local transportation in Columbus, parking at the hotel, meals and incidentals. You will be asked for a credit card when checking into the hotel. The College will not pay for parking, phone calls, room service, or other extra fees.

**When does the Columbus Seminar meet?** The Seminar meets in **Columbus** from March 10—March 14, 2019. You will also be required to attend 4 class sessions at Cleveland State (Friday afternoons, Jan 18, Jan 25, Mar 1, and Mar 29, 4-6 pm). Attendance at all sessions—both in Columbus and Cleveland—is **MANDATORY**.

**What is the field experience like?** A typical field experience involves meeting the people who run state government—high-level officials, legislators, Supreme Court justices—as well as lobbyists, advocacy groups, think tanks, and media. You will learn about how state government actually works and how state policy is made.

Days typically start as early as 8 am and can go well into the evening. You are expected to dress professionally for all scheduled sessions in Columbus. There is a substantial amount of walking from meeting to meeting. Comfortable walking shoes are a good idea. If you have a disability that may make it difficult to walk throughout a day, please speak with Professor Mead, [J.MEAD@csuohio.edu](mailto:J.MEAD@csuohio.edu), and the Office of Disability Services about the course and potential accommodations.

**What if I need to withdraw?** Once you have submitted an application you can withdraw it by contacting the Office of Student Services at [urbanprograms@csuohio.edu](mailto:urbanprograms@csuohio.edu). If you have been accepted and registered for the course, notify us and drop the class yourself online in CampusNet. All withdrawals, whether you have registered or not, must be made in writing or by e-mail.