CAMINOS AL FUTURO

Pre-College Program

2017

CAMINOS AL FUTURO is a fully-funded, residential, pre-college summer program for qualified rising high school seniors offered by the George Washington University (GW) and GW's Cisneros Hispanic Leadership Institute. Through this program, academically talented students who have demonstrated strong leadership potential to serve the Hispanic community will have the opportunity to further develop their leadership skills and aspirations.

Participants will examine the political, economic and social transformations impacting the Hispanic community through academic discourse with university professors who are leaders in their fields, service learning experiences with community organizations, meetings with business leaders and policymakers and site visits around Washington D.C. Students will participate in co-curricular programs, including the GW College Success Series, which helps prepare students for the college admissions process and for college success. The course is an experiential, interdisciplinary academic leadership program that awards three college credits.

Admission to the program is selective. Candidates' applications are expected to demonstrate outstanding academic ability and a commitment to service and leadership within the Hispanic/Latino community.

GW'S CISNEROS HISPANIC LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE was created by GW alumnus Gilbert Cisneros, BA '94, and his wife Jacki, who established the institute to help qualified students attain academic success, build leadership skills and engage in a long-term commitment to making a difference within the Hispanic community. The institute coordinates student leadership development, community engagement and research and policy programs, including the Caminos al Futuro pre-college program.

THE GEORGE WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY is the largest private university in Washington D.C., enrolling over 25,000 students from all 50 states and 130 countries. Founded in 1821 by an act of Congress, GW is a leading research institution dedicated to educating students to become global citizens and leaders.



Developing LEADERSHIP & COMMUNITY

What should I expect from the program?

- I. Leadership development and in-field activities in an intensive course focused on the challenges and opportunities facing Hispanics.
- 2. Connections with GW faculty, students, business leaders and U.S. policymakers in the nation's capital.
- 3. Expanded opportunities for community based-involvement through service learning.
- 4. An understanding of the college experience, career options, and strategies necessary to apply and succeed at selective colleges and universities.
- 5. Improved skills of self-expression, and analytic and critical thinking.
- **6.** A fully-funded program that covers course fees, room & board, materials, round-trip airfare to Washington D.C. and program-related activities.
- 7. Three college credits upon successful completion of the program.

*Participants should plan accordingly for discretionary spending such as personal items, laundry, and access to university health services (approximate \$25 per visit), if needed.

PROGRAM DATES: July 2–21
APPLICATION DEADLINE: March 1

The George Washington University does not unlawfully discriminate in its admissions programs against any person based on that person's race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age, disability, veteran status, sexual orientation, or gender identity or expression.

