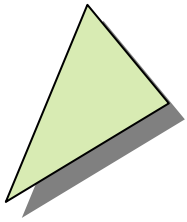


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**Washington, D.C. Career Conference**

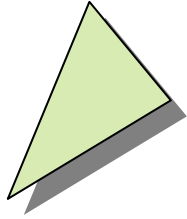
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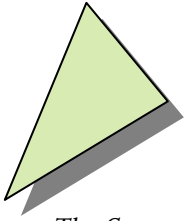
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## Information about the Conference

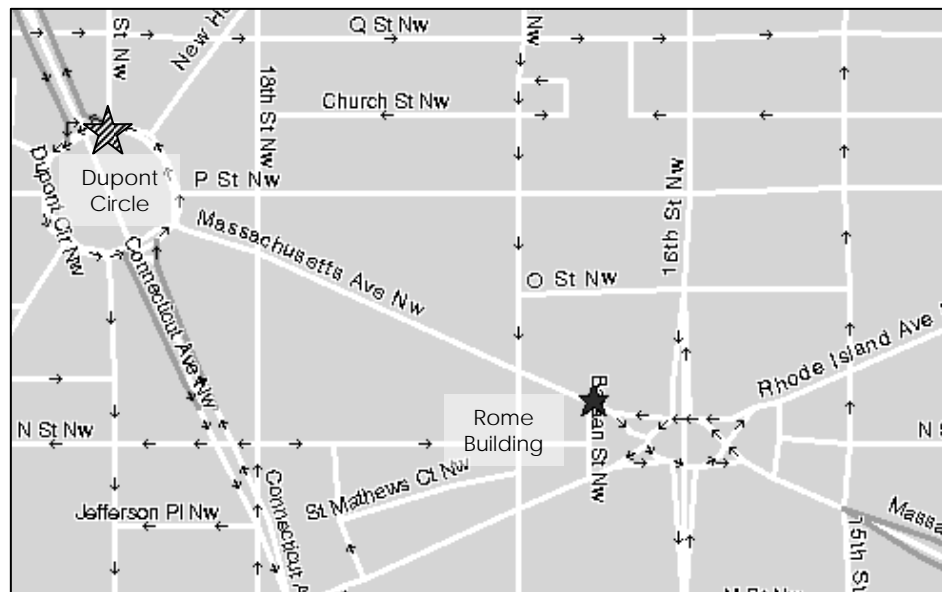
*The Career Conference in Washington, D.C. is an annual event sponsored by the Office of Career Services. Because SIPA is located in New York City, many of the career events sponsored by OCS emphasize career opportunities in New York or with New York-based firms and organizations. The Conference is meant to introduce students to Washington, D.C. and to teach them about employment opportunities in the D.C. area or with D.C.-based firms through the participation of D.C. professionals and SIPA alumni.*

**Dates:** Thursday – Friday, January 11-12, 2007.

**Dress:** Appropriate professional attire is expected throughout the duration of the Conference.

**Location:** Johns Hopkins Nitze School of Advanced International Studies (SAIS) Rome Building  
1619 Massachusetts Avenue, NW (between 16<sup>th</sup> Street & 17<sup>th</sup> Street)  
PLEASE NOTE: The Rome Building is NOT the Nitze Building (main building) at 1740 Massachusetts Avenue. The Rome Building is a red-brick building about a block east of the Nitze Building.

**Metro:** Dupont Circle (indicated as  in map below)



**Schedule:** Thursday:

Breakfast and Registration, 9:00 a.m.

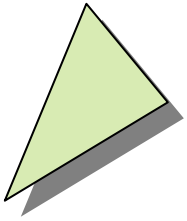
Opening Address, 9:30–9:45 a.m.

Panels, 9:50 a.m. – 12:15 p.m., 2:00 – 4:25 p.m.

Alumni Reception, 6:30-9:00 p.m.

Friday:

Informational Interviews (arranged by you)



## Information about the Alumni Reception

*The Washington D.C. Alumni Reception, a cocktail/networking reception for alumni and students, is usually attended by 150 alumni. This year the reception will be held at the landmark Capital Hilton, the luxurious downtown Washington hotel preferred by visiting heads of state and Hollywood celebrities.*

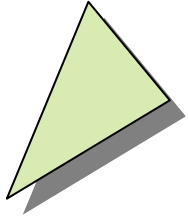
**Location:** The Capital Hilton (1001 16th Street, NW)

**Date:** Thursday, January 11, 2007

**Time:** 6:30:00-9:00 p.m.

**Directions from SAIS:** Walk 0.1 miles south from 1619 Massachusetts towards Scott Circle. Make a right onto Scott Circle, towards 16<sup>th</sup> Street (second intersection). Take 16<sup>th</sup> Street 0.3 miles until you reach 1001 16<sup>th</sup> Street, NW (Approx. 10 minute walk).



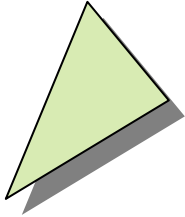


## Friday Alumni Informational Interviews

The second day of the Conference is an optional day of individual networking. OCS encourages all students to schedule independent, pre-arranged informational meetings or interviews with D.C. alumni. This is an opportunity for you to design your own interview, learn what you want to learn based on your career and organizational interests and make some good contacts.

OCS is contacting approximately 600 alumni to invite them to make themselves available for interviews with students on January 12. The list of available alumni will be provided to you after you register for the Conference. It is best to set up your interviews well before arriving in Washington, D.C. Alumni are expecting to be contacted no later than January 5 to schedule an appointment. In reality, the best time to set up interviews is during the month of December. If several students contact the same alum, the alum may ask you to share your slot with other students. Please be amenable to doing so.

You may also want to meet with non-alumni, so feel free to schedule interviews with whomever you feel would be most meaningful to you in learning more about your career interests. Congressional/Federal directories and resources focused on NGOs and foundations are available in the Career Resource Room. Check with the OCS staff and with faculty as well.



## Accommodations and Travel

Students are responsible for their own accommodations and travel. You should make whatever arrangements are convenient for you; some students stay with friends or family, while others book a hotel. Listed in this packet are some potential places to stay during the Conference. Room rates may be subject to change. *Note: Inclusion in this packet does not indicate an endorsement by OCS.*

Reservations should be made in advance. All accommodations below include linens.

\*\* Good Reviews

### Hostelling International - Washington

Rates: \$29-32 dollars per night

1009 11<sup>th</sup> Street, NW (at 11<sup>th</sup> Street & K Street, near “Metro Center”) - (15 minutes from SAIS on Metro, 30 minute walk)

Website: <http://www.hiwashingtondc.org>

☎ (202) 737-2333

### YWCA (housing for women only)

Rates: \$57 per night (single room)

901 Rhode Island Avenue, NW (at Rhode Island Avenue & 9<sup>th</sup> Street) - (5-10 minute walk to SAIS)

☎ (202) 667-9100

### American Friends Service Committee Davis House

(CURRENTLY ROOMS UNAVAILABLE DUE TO RECONSTRUCTION)

1822 R Street, NW (at 18<sup>th</sup> Street & R Street) - (5 minute walk to SAIS)

Email: [davishouse@afsc.org](mailto:davishouse@afsc.org)

☎ (202) 232-3196

### Washington International Student Center

Rates: \$25 per night. No-frills lodging with small breakfast. Double bunks, 4 beds/room.

2451 18<sup>th</sup> Street, NW

Email: [dcstudentcenter@aol.com](mailto:dcstudentcenter@aol.com)

☎ (800) 567-4150 or (202) 667-7681

### Bed and Breakfast Lodging (beautiful, unique and usually Victorian guest houses)

Rates: \$70 and up per single/ \$100 and up for double

For details, visit: <http://www.bedandbreakfastdc.com>


### DC Hotels

#### Hotel Harrington

Rates: \$109/\$125 (single/double)

436 11<sup>th</sup> Street, NW (at 11<sup>th</sup> Street & E Street) - (1 Metro stop from Dupont Circle)

Website: <http://www.hotel-harrington.com>


 (800) 424-8532

#### Swiss Inn \*\*

Rates: \$69/\$89 (winter rates for single/double) – Book Early!

1204 Massachusetts Avenue, NW (3 blocks from SAIS)


Website: <http://www.theswissinn.com>

 (800) 955-7947

#### Embassy Inn \*\*

Rates: \$119/\$129/\$159 (single/double bed/2 double beds)

1627 16<sup>th</sup> Street, NW (3-5 minute walk from SAIS)

 (800) 423-9111

#### Adams Inn

Rates: \$99 (single, shared bath), \$109 (double, shared bath). \$10 more for private bath.  
There is a 10% winter discount.

1744 Lanier Place, NW (8 blocks to Dupont Circle; 1 Metro stop from Dupont Circle)

Website: <http://www.adamsinn.com>


 (202) 745-3600 or (800) 578-6807

#### Beacon Hotel

Rates: \$139-\$189 (single or double) (reserve as soon as possible for best rates)

1615 Rhode Island Avenue, NW (across the street from SAIS)

Website: <http://www.governorshousewdc.com>


 (800) 821-4367

#### The Windsor Inn

Rates: \$99-109 (single); \$129-159 (double); \$159-225 (suite)

1842 16<sup>th</sup> Street, NW (5 blocks from Dupont Circle)

Website: <http://www.virtualcities.com/ons/dc/c/dcca802ref.htm>

 (800) 423-9111

The Carlyle Hotel

Rates: \$129-\$189 (up to 4 people) Kitchenette. Mention that you are a Columbia University student and that we were quoted this price for the DC Conference.

1731 New Hampshire Avenue, NW (3 blocks from Dupont Circle)

☎ (866) 468-3532

Virginia Hotels

Americana Hotel

Rates: \$99/\$119 (single/double) Includes continental breakfast.

1400 Jefferson Davis Highway (two blocks from the Metro)

Arlington, VA

☎ (703) 979-3772

Econo Lodge—National Airport

Rates: \$89.99 (single/double)-might be under renovation

2485 South Glebe Road (complimentary shuttle to Metro)

Arlington, VA

☎ (703) 979-4100

Holiday Inn National Airport

Rates: \$199 (king size bed or two double beds)

2650 Jefferson Davis Highway (three blocks from Crystal City Metro station)

Arlington, Virginia

☎ (703) 684-7200

For more information about these and other hotels in central D.C. visit [www.citysearch.com](http://www.citysearch.com) (visitors guide).

Travel

**(Schedules and Fares are subject to change—CALL AHEAD!)**

**You are requested to be at the Conference at 9:00 a.m. on Thursday, January 11, 2007.** Coffee, juice, fruit, and bagels will be provided during registration from 9:00-9:30 a.m. The following forms of transportation are available.

Train: Amtrak

**Fares and Schedule:** There are three trains on Thursday morning that you could take and arrive on time for the Conference – reserved trains leave at 3:00a.m., 4:40a.m. or 5:30a.m. If you leave on the 3:00a.m., 4:00a.m., or 5:30 trains, the fare is \$63. On Friday evenings, there are reserved trains leaving at 5:10p.m., 6:10p.m. or 7:10p.m., each with a fare of \$84. If you leave on Wednesday and return on Friday, Saturday or

Sunday, you can take an unreserved train for \$148 round-trip. Student discounts are available if you have a Student Advantage card.

**Time:** Ride takes 3 – 3.5 hours depending on the train, leaves from Penn Station (NYC) and arrives in Union Station (D.C.).

**Tel:** 1-800-871-7245      **Website:** <http://www.amtrak.com>

Bus: Peter Pan Trailways and Greyhound Lines, Inc.

**Fare:** One-way is \$37.00; Round-trip is \$69.

If you book seven days in advance with Greyhound, it's \$45 round-trip.

**Time:** The trip is approximately 4 to 4.5 hours.

**Schedule:** There is a bus that leaves Penn Station at 3:45 a.m. on Thursday morning that gets into Washington at 8:40 a.m. Most likely you would make the continental breakfast, but should arrive in time for the first panel. It takes roughly 45 minutes to travel from Union Station to DuPont Circle. It is recommended, however, that you take a bus on Wednesday.

**Tel:** 1-800-343-9999      **Websites:** <http://www.peterpanbus.com>  
<http://www.greyhound.com>

Bus: Chinatown Bus

**Fare:** \$35 to \$40 round-trip from NYC to D.C.

**Time:** The trip is approximately 4 to 4.5 hours.

**Schedule:** Exact drop-off locations, telephone numbers, and schedules are available through the websites listed below.

**Websites:** <http://www.2000coach.com>  
<http://www.ivymedia.com/todaytravel>  
<http://www.washny.com>  
<http://www.thecapitol.net/VisitingDC/transportation.htm>

Make sure you make a reservation in advance, as these buses often fill up quickly.

Planes:

**Fare:** Delta and U.S. Airways have frequent shuttle services. U.S. Airways shuttles to D.C. are about \$150 roundtrip through STA Travel. Both Reagan and Dulles Airports are fine to fly into, although Reagan is much closer to D.C. proper. Taxis from Reagan are roughly \$15 (less if shared) and from Dulles are \$45-\$55 (less if shared). You may also call Super Shuttle at 800-258-3826 to schedule a pick-up. The fare for the shuttle from Reagan is \$12 and from Dulles is \$25.

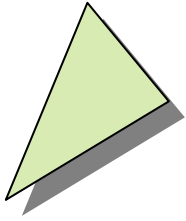
**Time:** Hour and a half, plus airport time.

**Schedule:** Frequent service.

**Websites:** - <http://www.expedia.com>  
<http://www.orbitz.com>  
<http://www.statravel.com>

### **Transportation within D.C.**

A Metro-D.C. map will be included in your Conference materials. It is best to rely on the Metro or taxis while in D.C. – although Dupont Circle is a central location with many places within walking distance. The Metropolitan Area Transit Authority, <http://www.wmata.com/>, is also a useful resource for metro directions anywhere within the D.C. metropolitan area. It is also recommended that you use [www.hopstop.com](http://www.hopstop.com) for directions to destinations that include both subway and bus travel.



## Meals

SIPA will provide a continental breakfast on Thursday, January 11, 2007 from 9:00-9:30 a.m. and appetizers and drinks at the Alumni Reception, held from 6:30-9:00 p.m. on Thursday.

All other meals are up to you! Below is a list of some restaurants in the Dupont Circle area that get good reviews:

- Afterwords Café (In Kramerbooks)  
1517 Connecticut Avenue, (202) 387-1462  
Affordable café, bar and bookstore – highly recommended
- Firehook Bakery  
1909 Q Street, NW, (202) 588-9296  
Great cookies and sandwiches
- Raku  
1900 Q Street, NW (at Q Street & Connecticut Avenue), (202) 265-7258  
Great pan-Asian tapas
- Lauriol Plaza  
1835 18<sup>th</sup> Street, NW (at 18<sup>th</sup> Street, between S Street & T Street), (202) 387-0035  
Mexican  
<http://www.lauriolplaza.com>
- Teatism  
2009 R Street, NW (at R Street & Connecticut Avenue), (202) 667-3827  
Good tea and some Japanese food  
<http://www.teatism.com>
- Bacchus  
1827 Jefferson Place, NW (at Connecticut Avenue), (202) 785-0734  
Reportedly the best Lebanese food in town
- Pizzeria Paradiso  
2029 P Street, NW (at P Street & 21<sup>st</sup> Street), (202) 223-1245  
Fabulous pizza, great prices

- **Thaiphoon**  
2011 S Street, NW (at Connecticut Avenue & S Street), (202) 667-3505  
Delicious Thai food.  
<http://www.thaiphoon.com/>
- **Café Mozart & Bar**  
1331 H Street, NW (at H Street, between 13<sup>th</sup> Street & 14<sup>th</sup> Street), (202) 347-5732  
Good German food and beer
- **Zorba's Café**  
1612 20th Street, NW (at 20<sup>th</sup> Street & Connecticut Avenue), (202) 387-8555  
Greek
- **Cosi**  
1647 20th Street, NW (at Dupont Circle North), (202) 332-6364  
1350 Connecticut Avenue, NW (at Dupont Circle South), (202) 296-9341  
Food, drinks, coffee  
<http://www.xandocosi.com/>

Fancy Restaurants in Washington, D.C.: (Reservations usually required)

- **Red Sage**  
605 14th Street, NW, (202) 638-4444  
Great, expensive Southwestern food  
<http://www.redsage.com/>
- **Occidental Grill**  
1475 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, (202) 783-1475  
Contemporary American at an elegant, expensive restaurant  
<http://www.occidentaldc.com>
- **Pesce**  
2016 P Street, NW, (202) 466-3474  
Seafood
- **i Ricchi**  
1220 19th Street, NW, (202) 835-0459  
Italian

# Panelists at the 2006 D.C. Conference

(Please note that there have been modifications made to several panels between 2006 and 2007)

## **Energy Policy & Development**

Margot Anderson, Director, Office of Energy Markets and End Use, DOE  
Stacy Angel, Clean Energy Program: Energy Efficiency Action Plan, EPA  
Eli Hopson, Lead Lobbyist, Clean Vehicles Program  
Sasha Mackler, Senior Analyst, National Commission on Energy Policy

## **Domestic Social Policy and Urban Planning**

Abbey Frank, Senior Policy Analyst, Center for Law and Social Policy  
Ann Elizabeth Montgomery, Research Associate, Walter R. McDonald & Associates, Inc.  
Narric Rome, Director of Federal Affairs, Americans for the Arts  
Brian Holland, Senior Manager, Deloitte & Touche

## **Human Rights & Humanitarian Affairs**

Erin Foster, External Relations Liaison, International Organization for Migration  
Ms. Jill Marie Gerschutz, Outreach Coordinator and Policy Associate, Jesuit Conference, USA  
Rachel Good, Associate, Arms Division, Human Rights Watch

## **International Trade & Finance**

Anthony Cino, International Trade Specialist, U.S. Department of Commerce  
Jessica Farmer, Structured Finance Loan Officer, Export-Import Bank  
Richard P. Roulier, Principal Advisor, Banking, International Finance Corporation  
Elisabeth Sherwood, Financial Sector Specialist, World Bank

## **Economic & Political Development**

Joseph Andrews, Senior Program Officer, National Democratic Institute  
Mr. Ajit V. Joshi, Lead Program Analyst, U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID)  
Dorota Nowak, Program Coordinator, Development Prospects Group and the International Trade  
Department, World Bank  
Mr. Aman Trana, Team Leader, Financial Operations and Reporting Division, International Monetary  
Fund

## **National Security/Foreign Policy**

Tom Bindley, Program Analyst, Transportation Security Administration  
Perry Cammack, U.S. Senate Fellow, U.S. Senate Foreign Relations Committee  
Mike Fitzsimmons, Research Staff Member, Institute for Defense Analyses  
Thomas McNaugher, Vice President, Army Research Division, RAND Corporation

## **Media & Communications**

Sharon Burke, Senior Writer, Corporation for National and Community Services  
Juliet Eilperin, Staff Writer, Washington Post  
Susan Gigli, Vice-President, Inter-Media Survey Institute

## **Environmental & Sustainable Development Policy**

Mary Kay Bailey, Senior Policy Analyst, EPA  
Kevin Baumert, Senior Associate, World Resources Institute

Kate Donovan, Senior Consultant, Booz Allen Hamilton  
Dave Gibson, Director, Environment & Natural Resources, Chemonics International

#### **Consulting**

Arthur T. Dong, Consultant, Fannie Mae  
Katharine Fogarty, Senior Consultant, Booz, Allen and Hamilton  
Rhonda Sinkfield, Consultant, Deloitte Consulting

#### **“Alternative” Consulting**

Carlos Abreu, Development Specialist, Development Alternatives, Inc.  
Anne E. Bordonaro, Director, Chemonics  
Paul Guenette, Senior Manager, Emerging Markets Group  
Robin Jaffe, Global Staffing Manager, CHF International

#### **Philanthropy, Foundations & Think Tanks**

Lauren Coletta, Director of Campaigns, Common Cause  
Julia Choucair, Project Associate & Assistant Editor, *Arab Reform Bulletin*, Carnegie Endowment for International Peace  
Michael Manganiello, Senior Vice President of Government Relations, Christopher Reeve Foundation  
Patricia Read, Senior Vice President, Public Policy and Government Affairs, Independent Sector

#### **Corporate Social Responsibility**

Jonathan Cohen, Executive Director, William James Foundation  
Rima K. Matsumoto, Executive Director, Hispanic Association on Corporate Responsibility (HACR)  
Philippa Moore, Analyst, SustainAbility Inc.  
Kathy Torrence, Vice President, Calvert Group

#### **Education Policy**

Shana Kennedy-Salchaw, Policy Analyst, Education Trust  
SiuSue Mark, Program Manager, Save the Children  
Margaret McLaughlin, Ed.D, Senior Associate, Creative Associates International  
Catherine Oleksiw, Senior Research and Evaluation Officer, Academy for Educational Development

#### **Microfinance**

Anita Fiori, Counselor for Executive Director for Brazil and Suriname, Inter-American Development Bank  
Blaine Stephens, Director of Analysis, Microfinance Information Exchange (MIX)  
Daniel Weiss, Senior Vice President and Chief Strategy Officer, Microfinance International Corporation  
Meaghan Smith, Managing Partner, Banyan Global

#### **Capitol Hill**

\*New panel for 2007\*

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**TENTATIVE AGENDA  
JANUARY 11, 2007**

**JOHNS HOPKINS SCHOOL OF ADVANCED INTERNATIONAL STUDIES (SAIS)  
1619 MASSACHUSETTS AVENUE  
ARRIVE AT 9:00 AM**

<b>TIME</b>	<b>PANEL/EVENT</b>	<b>ROOM</b>
9:00 a.m.	Breakfast	2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor
9:30-9:45 a.m.	Opening Address	203
9:50-10:50 a.m.	National Security & Foreign Policy Media & Communications Consulting Economic Development Environment & Sustainable Development	
11:15-12:15 p.m.	National Security & Foreign Policy Microfinance Consulting Political Development Energy Policy & Development	
12:15-2:00 p.m.	Lunch - brown bag or get your own	
2:00-3:00 p.m.	Philanthropy, Foundations, and Corporate Social Responsibility Domestic Social Policy and Urban Planning International Trade & Finance Education Policy Human Rights & Humanitarian Affairs	
3:25-4:25 p.m.	Philanthropy, Foundations, and Corporate Social Responsibility Capitol Hill Advocacy Groups & Think Tanks Education Policy	
6:30-9:00 p.m.	Alumni Reception	The Capital Hilton

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**REGISTRATION FORM**

**PERSONAL INFORMATION:**

(Please print legibly)

Name \_\_\_\_\_

MIA/MPA (circle one) Year \_\_\_\_\_ Concentration \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail Address \_\_\_\_\_@columbia.edu

**CONFERENCE FEE:**

REGISTRATION FEE (required of all participants): \$50.00

**CASH ONLY.**

Please check if you plan on attending the Alumni/Student Reception from 6:30-9:00pm on Thursday, January 11<sup>th</sup>, 2007.

Yes, I will attend

No, I will not attend

**\*PLEASE NOTE: NO REFUNDS WILL BE MADE FOR CANCELLATIONS.**

**PANEL CHOICES:**

9:50 – 10:50 a.m. \_\_\_\_\_

11:15 – 12:15 a.m. \_\_\_\_\_

2:00 – 3:00 p.m. \_\_\_\_\_

3:25 – 4:25 p.m. \_\_\_\_\_