Scottish Parliamentary Internship Program
Course Registration Information

Your pre-determined courses
The Scottish Parliamentary Internship Program requires that participating students take three intensive courses in the first five weeks of the semester. These courses are associated with this program and help you to prepare for the 10-week internship that follows. The courses are: Government and Politics in the United Kingdom, Scottish Politics, and Scottish Society and Culture. The three courses are worth 3 credits each and are taught by University of Edinburgh faculty. Please see their syllabi listed at: http://www.institute-of-governance.org/internships/courses.html. Please note that the dates listed are not updated for the 2006-07 academic year.

- Credits – Upon successful completion of the three courses, you will receive 9 semester hour credits. The following 10-week internship under the direction of a member of the Scottish Parliament (MSP) and a completed research project will earn you an additional 6 semester hour credits. Under this format, all participating students take a total of 15 credits for the fall or spring semester internship program. To review your required full academic course load, keep the following in mind:

  Fall or Spring semester = 9 semester hour credits (three credits per course) + 6 semester hour credits (for internship and research project/ essay) = 15 semester hour credits

Please note that students enrolled for either semester must complete and turn in their final research project before the scheduled departure date.

Making sure your credits will transfer back
Meet with your advisor to discuss the pre-determined courses and internship. It is your responsibility to make sure that you are registered for a full academic load and that the courses and internship you take abroad will transfer for credit to your home school. Since the program format is standardized, you do not need to submit a course selection form.

If you have any questions, please contact your program coordinator, Traci Chupik, by e-mail (chupikt@arcadia.edu) or by calling 1-866-927-2234.