



2008 Summer Institute for Latino Public Policy June 16-20, 2008

INTRODUCTION

Established in 1986, the Summer Institute for Latino Public Policy (SILPP) is an educational program for junior and senior undergraduate students enrolled in IUPLR's member institutions that combine technical and practical experience in public policy and leadership training. Every year, 30 young scholars convene in Washington, DC for an intense one-week long training and orientation to public policy and legislative processes through a series of seminars, workshops, site visits to national organizations and meetings with Congressional representatives.

THE INSTITUTE

The Summer Institute for Latino Public Policy will be held at The George Washington University (GWU) in Washington, D.C. on **June 16-20, 2008**.

Goals

- Provide an appreciation and understanding of public policy issues confronting Latinos in the U.S.
- Meet national leaders who advocate at the national level for education, health care, housing, environmental and other issues of importance to the community;
- Experience the public policy process through personal contact with public policy decision makers;
- Develop an appreciation for the legislative process;
- Present findings of an in-depth research project in current public policy issues;
- Expand critical thinking, problem solving, teamwork, interpersonal and communication skills;
- Develop, expand and enhance leadership skills.

All expenses related to the program will be covered including round-trip air and local transportation, lodging at GWU dormitories, meals and classroom materials. Participants are responsible for covering medical and travel insurance and incidental expenses.

REQUIREMENTS

Participants who successfully complete the program requirements listed below will receive a certificate of completion.

- Attend all training sessions;

- Participate in all SILPP-sponsored activities;
- Prepare and deliver a ten minute presentation, preferably using PowerPoint software, on a current public policy issue of choice based on a research project or paper. The presentation should be prepared prior to arrival in Washington, D.C.;
- Comply with SILPP program policies.

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

- Be a full-time undergraduate student enrolled in one of the IUPLR member institutions;
- Have a junior or senior standing. If senior, must graduate in December 2008. Spring semester graduating seniors are not eligible;
- Have a minimum GPA of 3.0 (preferred, not required);
- Demonstrated interest in public policy.

APPLICATION PROCESS

Applicants must submit a complete application form, a two-page statement stating their interest on the program; two letters of recommendation, an official transcript or letter of good academic standing and a resume.

Application Deadline: **April 30, 2008**

ABOUT IUPLR

IUPLR is a national consortium of Latino-focused research centers, primarily university based, that promote knowledge about the Latino population.

IUPLR works to expand the pool of Latino scholars and leaders, strengthen the capacity of Latino research centers, increase the availability of policy-relevant Latino-focused research, and advance the intellectual presence of Latino scholarship nationally.

Objectives

- To promote comparative, interdisciplinary, and policy-focused research;
- To develop collaborative national programs that support Latino students and faculty in higher education;
- To establish collaborative projects with scholars in areas of arts, culture and humanities;
- To disseminate publications generated by the IUPLR national network of scholars.



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APPLICATION FORM

Please complete and sign the application form. If necessary, you may attach additional pages. The following documents must be submitted with your application:

- **Statement of Interest:** Please describe your interest in SILPP (maximum 2 pages, typed, double-spaced, 12 pt. font).
- **Letters of Recommendation:** You must include two letters of recommendation written by a professor, instructor, academic advisor or internship coordinator who can attest to your academic abilities and interests in public policy. Additional letters are also welcome.
- **Transcript:** Please submit an official, up-to-date transcript, and/or proof of good academic standing from a faculty member/or advisor.
- **Resume**

Application materials must be submitted to your institution representative

Name:	
Student ID:	Gender: (F) (M)
Date of Birth:	Place of Birth:
Ethnicity:	

Current Information

Permanent Address:	
Telephone:	E-mail Address:
Campus Address:	
Telephone:	E-mail Address:
Year in School:	College/Major:
Graduation Date:	GPA:

Emergency Contact

Name:	Relationship:
Street Address:	City, State, Zip Code:
Home Phone Number:	Work Phone Number:
Mobile Phone Number:	E-mail Address:

Insurance Information

Health Insurance Provider:	
Insurance Policy Number:	Telephone:

Extracurricular Activities (Community, university organizations, etc.)

Name of Organization:	Position and Responsibilities:

Special Skills/Scholastic or Academic Honors/Awards

I certify that all of the information submitted with this application is true and complete.

Signature _____ Date _____

Printed Name _____

Application Checklist: <input type="checkbox"/> Completed Application Form <input type="checkbox"/> Statement of Interest <input type="checkbox"/> Two (2) Letters of Recommendation <input type="checkbox"/> Transcripts <input type="checkbox"/> Resume or Curriculum Vitae	Notes:
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