Les Aspin Center for Government

Les Aspin Programs

Washington, D.C., Internship Program

The Les Aspin Center for Government is Marquette’s campus in Washington D.C., offering students the opportunity to study in the nation’s capital as part of their degree program. Students live and work on Capitol Hill, take courses, and intern with Congress, executive agencies, private sector firms, journalists, and non-profit organizations. The program is open for students in all majors and colleges. Students receive hands-on training and develop important professional skills. All programs include academic coursework in addition to guest lectures, symposia, and site visits. Programs are offered during each fall, spring, and summer term, as well as accelerated courses during J-Session and in May. Cost of living stipends are normally provided for the fall, spring, and summer terms for eligible students. For more information, contact the Aspin Center’s Washington D.C. office at aspincenter@marquette.edu or 202-554-6140 and visit The Les Aspin for Government (https://www.marquette.edu/les-aspin/) website. The Les Aspin Center for Government is located at 502 East Capitol St., Washington, D.C. 20003.

Milwaukee Internship Program

The Kleczka Internship Program, located on Marquette’s Milwaukee campus, is a local initiative of the Aspin Center. Students take their regular course load in addition to working 10 to 15 hours per week in the internship. Students are placed in a variety of positions in federal, state, county and local government offices, non-profit organizations, and private sector firms. Students may take an internship course to get academic credit for the internship. The program is offered in the fall, spring, and summer terms. Students may be eligible for a stipend. For more information, contact Dr. Karen Hoffman at karen.hoffman@marquette.edu and visit the Kleczka Program (https://www.marquette.edu/les-aspin/kleczka-program.php) website.

Les Aspin Center for Government Scholars Program

The Les Aspin Scholars Program will select up to ten high school seniors who have demonstrated high academic achievement and an interest in public affairs. These ten Les Aspin Scholars are guaranteed the opportunity to participate in the Washington, D.C. internship program during the fall or spring term of their junior year at Marquette (or during a year that works with their academic program of study). Pending availability, Les Aspin Scholars may receive an additional stipend award for the term they are in Washington, D.C. For more information, contact the Aspin Center’s Washington D.C. office at aspincenter@marquette.edu or 202-554-6140.