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FAQ

1. What is the Hoover Institution Summer Policy Boot Camp (HISPBC), and what is expected of students?

The HISPBC program is an intensive four-day residential program consisting of morning and afternoon class sessions, and group dinners with invited speakers on some evenings. There will be daily readings that are to be completed before class. There may also be written assignments on short notice that will require synthesis and analysis. Students are expected to attend all class sessions, actively participate in discussion sessions, and maintain professional conduct.

2. How is the HISPBC different from other programs?

Situated on the campus of Stanford University, one of the world's great universities, HISPBC offers topics that are immediately relevant to today's public policy challenges. These seminars are taught by renowned economists, seasoned national security professionals, and leading policy makers to help participants develop and apply critical reasoning skills necessary to the formation of public policy.

3. What will students gain from the program?

The HISPBC program offers deep engagement and understanding of new innovative policy ideas that increase our understanding of the modern world.

4. How is the program made free to accepted attendees?

The HISPBC is virtually free (including tuition, meals, and housing) because of the generosity of Hoover's supporters and their commitment to engaging young thinkers by providing access to the transformative ideas generated by Hoover fellows.

5. Since tuition is free, will there be other expenses?

The tuition and accommodations (meals included) are covered by the Hoover Institution for those who are accepted into the program, whereas travel costs and incidentals are covered by participants.

6. Can I receive credit at my undergraduate institution if I complete the HISPBC program? Are students graded?

No course grades or credits are given for completing the HISPBC program. At the conclusion of the program, participants receive a certificate of completion.

7. I live outside the United States and need to apply for a visa. Can Stanford help me with the process?

Since the program is not for credit or grade, past international participants have been able to attend the program with a B-1/B-2 visa. Please note, the university is unable to provide any assistance with obtaining a visa. However, your letter of acceptance into the HISPBC program should facilitate the process at the US embassy in your home country.

8. When will the program agenda be available to view?

The program agenda is currently being finalized and will be emailed to participants before the start of HISPBC.

9. Whom can I contact with further questions?

If you have further questions that are not answered here, please send an email to hispbcadmin@stanford.edu