WiIDCats at the Capitol is the University of Kentucky's federal government internship program that offers any UK student the opportunity to intern, earn course credit, and gain experience at the highest levels of government while living in the nation's capital.

Gain Experience by Interning in DC
Internships provide a dynamic opportunity to gain real-world work experience and apply classroom learning in a fast-paced, professional environment. Students spend 40 hours per week interning in public agencies and private offices on and off Capitol Hill.

Earn Credit as a Full-Time Student
WiIDCat at the Capitol is open to all majors. As a participant in this program, you will remain a full-time student earning 12 academic credit hours through your internship and classes taught by UK faculty in Washington, DC. By remaining a full-time student, you can use the scholarships and financial aid you have earned and continue on a timely path to a degree.

Convenient Housing with UK Students
Participants in the program live together in an area conveniently located near the US Capitol Building, the US Supreme Court, and the Library of Congress. Each residential unit is fully furnished; includes cable, utilities, laundry facilities, and internet; and is easily accessible to the DC Metro system.

Competitive Program Costs
Interns pay the same UK tuition and fee rates while living in the nation's capital, but because WiIDCats at the Capitol remain full-time students they can utilize their financial aid and scholarships. Program housing includes a double occupancy room, shared living space, and a full kitchen to share with your fellow UK students interning in Washington DC.

Financial Aid
In addition to scholarships and financial aid that you have already earned, applicants are encouraged to apply for additional support offered by the Office of the President, Department of Political Science, and the UK Student Government Association. Last year, the WiIDCats at the Capitol program awarded more than $15,000 in scholarships to participants.

Application Information
See website for application materials. https://www.uky.edu/wildcatsatthecapitol/apply-now