



U.S. Foreign Policy Colloquium (FPC) *Frequently Asked Questions*

How much does FPC cost?

Accepted participants who apply by the April 19 early application deadline will be required to pay a \$200 participation fee. Those who apply after April 19 will pay a \$250 participation fee.

What is included in the participation fee?

The participation fee covers four nights at the [State Plaza Hotel](#) (afternoon, May 28- morning, June 1), conveniently located near the FPC venue, the George Washington University's Elliott School for International Affairs. FPC participants will share a room (two people per room), and will be required to put down credit card information when checking in to cover any incidental costs.

Beginning with dinner on May 28, all meals (breakfast, lunch, and dinner) will be covered through June 1, except for dinner on Wednesday, May 29 (free evening).

What are the attendance expectations?

You are *required to attend* all sessions throughout the Colloquium unless it is noted as optional on the agenda. Your full participation is critical to the success of the program. Participants will have a free evening on Wednesday, May 29. We encourage you to make plans with other participants to enjoy all that DC has to offer!

Participants who would like to arrive earlier than Tuesday, May 28 or stay later than the morning of Saturday, June 1 need to make additional lodging arrangements.

How do I get to Washington, DC?

Accepted participants will be responsible for making their own travel arrangements as well as all associated costs. Once accepted, we encourage participants to book their travel as soon as possible.

Those traveling from Boston, NYC, and other northeast corridor cities can easily take a bus or train to Washington, DC's Union Station. Those flying to/from DC can use either [Reagan National Airport](#) (DCA), [Dulles International Airport](#) (IAD), or [Baltimore-Washington International Airport](#) (BWI). IAD and BWI are located outside of DC and are not connected to the Metro system.

What time will I need to arrive in Washington, DC on May 28?

Participants should plan to arrive at the [State Plaza Hotel](#) no later than 5:00 pm. FPC programming will begin at 6:30 pm.

What time will I need to check out of the hotel on June 1?

Participants will need to check out no later than 12:00 pm. For those traveling later in the afternoon or evening, you will be able to check your bags at the hotel.