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### **Huntsman Seminar for Teachers applications available**

**The Hinckley Institute is accepting applications for The Huntsman Seminar in Constitutional Government for Teachers.** The seminar will take place August 3-7, 2009. The focus of the seminar is to improve the quality of civic education in Utah schools. Participants gain valuable knowledge and insight into current events in American Politics by interacting with political experts, judges, university faculty, and elected officials. Teachers gain an in-depth understanding of local, state, and national political issues. Participants contribute an enrollment fee of \$100 and receive 3 hours of graduate level political science credit, and costs for tuition, books and lodging are also included. [Applications available here.](#)

### **Capital Encounter**

This month a group of 12 students led by University of Utah Professor Tim Chambless embarked on a one-week experience of Washington D.C. The group included ten University of Utah students and two students from Shantou University in China. Students met with Utah's Congressional Delegation, and prominent political leaders. They toured the White House, Library of Congress, and U.S. Capitol Building. The one-week seminar is an opportunity for students unable to serve a 15-week internship to experience Washington D.C.

### **Internship Update**

The Hinckley internship program continues to grow and students are making an impact all over the United States and around the globe. The 2008/2009 academic year ended with a record 280 students completing internships. 52 students

participated in international internships, 89 in Washington D.C., 27 with the Utah State Legislature, 100 local internships and 12 in the one-week seminar, Capital Encounter.

The pace has not slowed at the Hinckley Institute this summer. Internationally, 24 students are in 11 countries including Jordan, South America, India and China. 32 students are in Washington D.C. working in all levels of government and with public advocacy groups, and consulting firms. In Utah, 40 students are working with federal, state and municipal government offices, with non-profits and on campaigns.

## **2008/2009 Hinckley Forums**

The Hinckley Institute of Politics ended another successful year of connecting UU students, the community and the campus with ambassador's, elected officials and experts in various fields by hosting 70 forums. There were many special guests including Hinckley Hall of Fame inductee General Brent Scowcroft and New York Times columnist Thomas Friedman. Topics ranged from candidate debates, the 2008 Elections, Utah's energy future, and the economic crisis.

Hinckley Forums will resume in the fall semester.

## **Alumni Spotlight: John Poelman**

The Hinckley Institute of Politics is pleased to feature John Poelman as the Hinckley Institute Alumni Spotlight for May 2009. To visit the Hinckley Institute's Alumni Spotlight webpage, click [here](#).

## **Internship Opportunities**

The Hinckley Institute is currently accepting applications for **fall 2009 local, Washington D.C., International, and Utah State Legislative** internships. For more information, click [here](#).

## **Hinckley Institute in the News**

The Hinckley Institute of Politics is a central source of discussion and commentary surrounding many local, national, and international issues. To read media coverage of Hinckley Forums, interns, and events, as well as articles featuring the insight and commentary of Hinckley Institute Director Kirk Jowers, click [here](#).

## **Giving Back to the Hinckley Institute of Politics**

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