

Academic Centers and Institutes

The Center for Global Learning

Yocasta Brens-Watson, *Director*

<https://www.saintpeters.edu/global-learning/>

The Center for Global Learning organizes and manages study abroad and exchange programs, facilitates the development of faculty-led international courses, and collaborates with the Office of Admission to support, enrich, and expand international student enrollment at Saint Peter's University. The Center also develops international partnerships and collaborates with external agencies and organizations on outreach programs.

Center for Special Scholarships and Graduate Study

TBA, *Director*

After discussion with their major advisor, students should consult the Director of the Center for Special Scholarships and Graduate Study for information on graduate programs, required examinations, such as the GRE, procedures for application, and scholarship opportunities including the Davies-Jackson, Fulbright, Goldwater, Marshall, Rhodes, Truman, and many others. The Director assists students in the preparation of essays, personal statements, and other aspects of their applications.

The Guarini Institute for Government and Leadership

Ginger Gold Schnitzer, *Executive Director*

<https://www.saintpeters.edu/guarini-institute/>

Established in 1994 by Congressman Frank Guarini, The Institute for Government and Leadership provides a non-partisan forum for discussion of key public policy issues. The Institute sponsors lectures and programs throughout the academic year to promote critical thinking, debate, and careers in public service.

Guarini Lecture Series

This Series brings national and state political leaders and policy makers together to discuss timely issues impacting our world. The Guarini Institute also sponsors periodic Public Affairs Forums to address topics of particular interest.

United Nations Programs

The University has maintained Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) status at the United Nations since 2004 through the UN's Department of Public Information. This status, administered through the Guarini Institute, provides faculty and students unique opportunities to participate in UN briefings and workshops at the UN as well as interactive video conferences.

Internship Opportunities through the UN/NGO Connections Program

The Institute provides assistance to undergraduate and graduate students seeking to pursue internship opportunities through the UN/NGO Connections program. This program provides internship opportunities at UN Headquarters in New York, Geneva, Vienna, Nairobi, Addis Ababa, Bangkok, Beirut and Santiago or with specific NGOs working with the UN in New York.

Visiting Ambassador's Colloquium

United Nations Ambassadors come to the University to discuss matters of interest to the United Nations and to acquaint attendees, typically faculty, administrators and honor students, with the ambassador's country.

High School Model UN

In partnership with the Department of Political Science, the Institute hosts a High School Model UN that brings together delegates from New Jersey and metropolitan New York.

Washington Center Internship Program

The Guarini Institute administers Saint Peter's University's Washington Center Internship Program through the Department of Political Science. This program offers qualified students the opportunity to work full-time in

Washington, D.C. and earn academic credit as unpaid interns in programs related to their majors. For a more detailed description see the Special Academic Programs section.