

## **GW UN 360 Full Student Testimonials**

\*Note: This feedback was taken from a post-survey of GW UN 360 2018 and 2019 cohorts.

"This program was an incredible, eye-opening experience to the realities of working in SDG-related fields. The people I met and experiences I had throughout this program will undoubtedly play a major role in shaping my future career! It was a very experiential learning experience. I got to be more mature, focus on my overall goals and learn some very concrete steps to get there."

"I thoroughly enjoyed the UN 360 program and felt like it made me learn so much about the UN agencies. I loved every single one of the site visits as well. I thought UN 360 made me a more extroverted person and I feel like I developed a bunch of professional references."

"UN 360 was a great experience! The site visits and the last alumni event were both very informational. I felt as though I really got experience networking and now have the tools to figure out my next steps. I think UN 360 helped me to feel more prepared than anything. I recognize where to find resources, I have people to reach out to and I know what I need to work on."

"In regards to my professional development, it greatly improved my networking skills and provided clarity in my post-graduate options. In my personal development, I became more confident in speaking with careered professionals and I became more passionate about the direction I am working towards. I was able to see how I could push my potential even more."

"I think that the program certainly gave me a lot of ideas for the future. In addition, learning about the processes of getting into the United Nations was extremely unique and useful. Without going to New York and speaking with people there, I would not have known about the tricks of getting my foot into the door."

"I was really impressed with how much diversity UN 360 showed. I liked how they included a wide variety of SDG topics and sites. Furthermore I greatly enjoyed how many different UN employees we got to talk to."

"It went above my expectations because we not only learned more about the UN Sustainable Development Goals, but also got an inside perspective to how some of the most important international organizations operate."

"With UN 360, I was able to network with professionals at organizations that I would never have been able to reach on my own. As a result of this, I'm having my first informational interview with my dream workplace! Similarly, the workshops helped me expand on my resume and cover letter skills. All of the resources we were given helped me work on my professional development."

"I had such a wonderful time this semester and am so grateful to have been part of this cohort! This program is one of my highlights during college and a once in a lifetime opportunity that I highly recommend to my peers."

"UN 360 is a great program and thank you Kelly and Tara (and others who have helped) for being so amazing and for believing in our capabilities. I also want to thank you career services for seeing our potential and connecting us to a network of people that can help us realize that potential."

"This has been one of the most rewarding experiences of my GW career! I have never learned so many important skills and met so many amazing people in such a short amount of time! I'm going to miss everyone and I hope that one day we can all be at an Alumni event together."

"The variety of skills we learned through simulations and activities allowed me to have a greater understanding of my strengths and weaknesses, as well as what I could improve upon if I would like to pursue a UN-related career."

"I expected UN 360 to give me a greater insight into how the UN system works, and what the different UN organizations would offer me, and it did exactly that. It also opened my eyes to new organizations or jobs that I did not know existed in the past."

"I came into this program hoping to get a better idea of what professionals in this field did. It was nice that we got to talk to people from a variety of different backgrounds from communications to fundraising to education to HR to the head of UNEP. It was nice to hear how everyone got to where they were, what kind of work they did every day, and what skills they found useful in their careers."

"UN 360 helped me get a job! Through our site visits I was able to learn a lot about the program side of different organizations and how to talk about my skills and the UN 360 program in interviews. It led me to apply for a job at IREX working on international media literacy and other media and communication-related projects, which is the ideal combination of my degree and interests!"

"I personally enjoyed the lecture on NYC Sustainability because NYC is a place that my family has been for years. It was incredible seeing how such a large city like that in the US has promoted sustainability."

"Amazing classmates and inspiring speakers and many opportunities to visit awesome organizations!"