

2023 UNITED STATES INBOUND INTERNATIONAL EXCHANGE
Washington, DC
XE-DC

Dates: Dates for the exchange for US participants are Sunday, 16 July 2023 through Saturday, 29 July 2023. International guests will arrive beginning on the evening of the 17 July 2023.

General: Five US Sea Cadets will be selected to serve as cadet hosts for the exchange contingent. They will fulfill staff responsibilities but will not act as traditional “staff cadets” during the exchange as most of the cadet guests are senior cadets in their own country’s program. The primary role of the US Staff is to act as hosts to our guests and to create a safe, inviting, and enjoyable experience where all hands can learn from one another. Each US cadet will be assigned a billet and will earn the Staff Cadet Ribbon in addition to the IEP Ribbon. The IEP Team will serve as adult staff for the US Inbound Exchange.

Four cadets and two escort officers from each of the following countries have been invited:

Barbados
Canada
Hong Kong
New Zealand

Qualifications to attend the US Inbound Exchange:

- Must be at least 15 by 1 July 2023
- Must not turn 18 before the end of training, 29 July 2023
- Must be PO3 or above
- Must have successfully completed POLA
- Recommended by Unit Commanding Officer
- Be in good physical condition

Training Fee: All cadets must pay a training fee of \$250. Travel is not provided for the US Exchange.

Accommodations and Meals:

Participants will be housed in a residence hall of Catholic University of America in Washington, D.C. Local transportation during the exchange, as well as fees for activities will be provided. Most meals will be provided by the US Exchange, but based on the planned itinerary, a few of the meals will be at the participants’ expense because of where we will be. A budget of at least \$100 USD is recommended to cover additional meals, souvenirs, and incidentals.

Training/Activities:

Tentative Schedule

16 July 2023: US Staff arrives no later than 1400 at either Reagan Washington National Airport (Preferred) or Dulles International Airport

17 - 18 July 2023: International cadets and escorts arrive in Washington, D.C. Informal optional activities around the Washington D.C. area

19 - 23 July: Planned itinerary in and around the Washington, D.C. area

24 July: Contingent travels to Hampton Roads, Virginia to visit military installations and other local sites

27 July: Contingent returns to Washington D.C. for more sightseeing and a farewell activity

29 July: All international guests and US staff depart

Training Program

In addition to teaching about the military, history, and culture of the United States, our training curriculum will focus on leadership and international relations, offering small group discussions and educational sessions to develop a global understanding and an appreciation for the cultural diversity, as well as similarities, between nations. While in Washington D.C., participants will visit museums, memorials and other popular tourist sights, as well as military installations. This includes: the US Capitol, the International Spy Museum, the Holocaust Museum, and the Museum of the United States Marine Corps in Quantico, VA. The planned itinerary includes the laying of a memorial wreath at Arlington National Cemetery and attending the Evening Parade at the Marine Corps Barracks (Eighth and I) to watch the Marine Corps Silent Drill Platoon. There will also be a day spent kayaking the local waterways. We will travel to Hampton Roads, VA to visit the world's largest naval base, tour a US Navy ship and/or aviation squadrons, and enjoy recreational activities in Virginia Beach. These are only anticipated activities and are therefore subject to change.