Additional considerations: Carleton students will be responsible for finding their own accommodation in Ottawa in the fall term. In the winter term, accommodation for Carleton students in London may be arranged by Leeds University.

Students will be responsible for paying the costs of this accommodation in London; it is unlikely that Carleton will provide financial support for transportation and accommodation costs.

Students may find living expenses in London to be significantly greater than those in Ottawa. Students will pay the regular tuition fee to Carleton; no other fees will be charged. Students should be advised that visas may be required for internship programs in the United Kingdom. Those students who are accepted to the program are responsible for informing themselves about the visa requirements that apply to them, and should follow the guidance of Leeds University as indicated in the information that they receive.

How to apply: Application forms and detailed information about the program are available from the Department of Political Science, Room B640, Loeb Building, or at http://carleton.ca/polisci/undergraduate/internships/carleton-leeds/

The deadline for applications is Thursday, April 13, 2017. Please submit applications to:

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Carleton-Leeds Parliamentary Internship Exchange

The Carleton-Leeds Parliamentary Internship Program allows honours students in political science to combine academic study, the practical experience of internships, and an opportunity to spend time abroad. Since 1990, several students per year, from Carleton and from Leeds University in the United Kingdom, have participated in the program.

Students selected for the exchange spend the fall term in Ottawa and the winter term in London, England. In each term, they will spend four days a week in each city serving as Parliamentary interns. The internships allow students to learn about Parliament and the legislative process.

In addition, they will take courses offered by Carleton and Leeds Universities.

Who may apply? Carleton students with a strong academic record, who will be in the fourth year of the honours or combined honours programme in political science in 2016-2017 are eligible for the program. Selection will be based on academic merit and personal suitability for the exchange. Three to five Carleton students may be chosen.

For Carleton students, successful completion of the exchange will satisfy the requirements of the fourth year of the honours programme. Internships in Ottawa will be with either a member of the House of Commons or with a Senator. In London, internships will be with a member of the House of Commons. Internships are arranged by Carleton University and Leeds University.

Students should note that although it is possible to graduate in June following completion of the internship program during the academic year, in practice it is difficult. This is particularly so if students plan to stay in England into May or travel abroad upon completion of the program. For students who participate in the program, careful planning in advance will help to ensure a rewarding academic experience.

Detailed course program: Carleton students will take the equivalent of a full five-credit course load, which includes:

- PSCI 4006, (F), Legislatures and Representation in Canada
- PSCI 4903, (W), British Parliamentary Politics, offered by faculty of Leeds University with grades awarded by Leeds University.
- PSCI 4904, (3 credits), Carleton-Leeds Parliamentary Internships. Students complete written work and an oral examination based on the knowledge gained from their internships.
- PSCI 4908, Honours Research Essay.

Students are encouraged to explore topics relevant to Canadian and British politics.

Duration of the program: In Ottawa, students work four days per week from approximately Labour Day to the end of the December exam period. In London, students work from approximately the beginning of January to the middle of May; the exact duration and days of work will be set by Leeds University on an annual basis.