

2016-2017 Great Issues Scholars Highlights and Speakers

Each term, Great Issues Scholars explore a different theme in international affairs. The 2016-17 Scholars explored international security, environmental issues, and global health. Here are a few highlights from the program:

- Off-campus retreat and global crisis simulation at Lake Morey Resort, where students worked to find a solution to territorial disputes in the South China Sea
- Lecture and private dinner discussion with Rand Beers, Former Acting Secretary of Homeland Security
- Lunch with Michele Flournoy, former Under Secretary of Defense for Policy, who has served as the principal advisor to the Secretary of Defense
- Tea and pie with Melanne Verveer, the first U.S. Ambassador for Global Women's Issues, about her experiences working to promote women's rights around the world
- Lunch with John McLaughlin, former Deputy Director and Acting Director of the CIA
- Food & Climate dinner led by Dartmouth's Sustainability Office, where students considered the impacts of their food choices on the environment
- Access to original diaries and documents from 19th century expeditions to find the Northwest Passage, from Dartmouth's internationally famous Arctic Collection
- Gallery talk with NASA's first embedded artist Justin Guariglia
- Tour of ice core research labs and examination of the science of climate change
- Dinner with epidemiologist and pediatrician Kate Horan about her missions with Doctors Without Borders
- Interactive mapping exercise, where students analyzed data from a real-world cholera outbreak and made recommendations for public health officials
- Keynote address by Richard Horton, Editor-in-Chief of The Lancet, on the future of global health in an era of de-globalization
- Simulation of a disease outbreak investigation with Catherine Machalaba, Program Coordinator for Health and Policy at EcoHealth Alliance

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