

# WOMEN'S LEADERSHIP PROGRAM

The Women's Leadership Program (WLP) (<http://wlp.gwu.edu/>) is a selective, year-long, living and learning program for first-year students enrolled in any GW school. Offered at the Mount Vernon Campus, WLP commemorates and preserves the vision of the founder of Mount Vernon College and Seminary, Elizabeth J. Somers. WLP students have the benefit of small classes, close contact with faculty and people in leadership roles, and strong community ties within the program.

The dynamic curriculum emphasizes exploration and development of leadership through academic courses and weekly symposia. WLP symposia offer special lectures, workshops, and experiential learning that draw on the unique resources of Washington, DC, to bring students together with people of achievement in leadership roles from many professional fields. Completion of the WLP program is indicated on the student's transcript, and carries benefits such as access to scholarships, internships, and mentorship opportunities.

## FACULTY

### Faculty

Carly Jordan, Director  
Associate Professor of Biological Sciences; Program Coordinator,  
Science, Health, and Medicine cohort

Hadas Aron  
Assistant Professor of Political Science; Program Coordinator,  
International Politics cohort

Jameta Barlow  
Assistant Professor of University Writing

Mary Buckley  
Associate Professor of Theater and Dance; Program Coordinator,  
International Arts and Culture cohort

Julie Donovan  
Associate Professor of University Writing

Elisa Hovander  
Assistant Professor of Economics; Program Coordinator,  
Globalization, Economics, and Business cohort

## COURSES

### **WLP 1020. Writing, Literature, and Society. 3 Credits.**

Critical reading skills, concepts of disciplinarity, and processes of producing and legitimating knowledge. Writing intensive. Texts and emphasis vary according to cohort. Restricted to students in the Women's Leadership Program with the permission of the instructor.

### **WLP 1110. Women's Leadership Symposium I. 1 Credit.**

Weekly symposium that includes a wide variety of leadership-building workshops, cultural events of cross-disciplinary interest, and guest speakers.

### **WLP 1111. Women's Leadership Symposium II. 1 Credit.**

Weekly symposium that includes a wide variety of leadership-building workshops, cultural events of cross-disciplinary interest, and guest speakers.

### **WLP 4198. WLP Independent Study. 3 Credits.**