BEYOND BYU IS AN ANNUAL EVENT HOSTED BY THE BYU-PAS DC CHAPTER THAT CONNECTS STUDENTS TO EXPERIENCED PROFESSIONALS IN THE DC AREA. STUDENTS GATHER IN DC FOR TWO INTENSE DAYS OF NETWORKING WITH ESTABLISHED ALUMNI AND MEMBERS OF CONGRESS, WHERE THEY LEARN ABOUT WHAT IT TAKES TO SUCCEED IN APPLIED POLITICS.

GUEST SPEAKERS 2010-2013

2010

- Senator Orrin Hatch
- Congressman Jeff Flake

2011

- Senator Harry Reid
- Congressman Wally Herger

2012

- Congressman Matt Salmon
- John Podesta, Center for American Progress

2013

- Judge Thomas Griffith, U.S. Court of Appeals, D.C. Circuit

WORK SITE VISITS

- Center for Strategic and International Studies
- National Republican Senatorial Committee
- Office of Representative Jason Chaffetz
- Republican National Committee
- Federal Bureau of Investigation
- Department of Transportation
- Financial Services Roundtable
- Institute for the Study of War
- U.S. Enrichment Corporation
- Senate Judiciary Committee
- National Defense University
- New Democratic Institute
- Senate Finance Committee
- Senate Energy Committee
- Covington & Burling LLP
- TargetPoint Consulting
- Department of Defense
- Department of Justice
- Ford Motor Company
- Department of State
- Arlington Cemetery
- Accuracy in Media
- Sidley Austin LLP
- Goldman Sachs
- Patton Boggs
- Pentagon
- Ashoka
- Craft

ATTENDANCE

BYU Student Attendance

- 2010: 20
- 2011: 30
- 2012: 80
- 2013: 110

Thursday Evening Attendance

- 2010: 250
- 2011: 300
- 2012: 300
- 2013: 210

SUCCESS STORIES

"WHEN PLANNING TO ATTEND THE BEYOND BYU EVENT, I ARRANGED TO MEET WITH SEVERAL ORGANIZATIONS IN THE AREA. ONE OF THEM WAS THE PEW RESEARCH CENTER. I WAS ABLE TO MEET SEVERAL PEOPLE WHO WORK THERE JUST AS I WAS GRADUATING A FEW MONTHS LATER, A JOB OPENED UP THERE AND I APPLIED. THANKS TO THE TIME SPENT IN D.C. FOR BEYOND BYU, I HAD MADE A CONNECTION WITH THE PEW RESEARCH CENTER AND WAS WELL POSITIONED TO GET A JOB THERE." - MATT FREI

"I RECEIVED A SCHOLARSHIP TO ATTEND BEYOND BYU 2012 AND HAD SEVERAL GREAT OPPORTUNITIES AS A RESULT. PERHAPS THE MOST CONSEQUENTIAL OF THESE CAME OUT OF THE RECEPTION AT THE CAPITOL VISITORS CENTER. WHILE STUDENTS WERE NETWORKING WITH SOME OF THE PROFESSIONALS FROM THE DC AREA, I HAD A CHANCE TO MEET AND SPEAK WITH SENIOR PROJECT MANAGERS AT TARGETPOINT CONSULTING. TALKING TO THEM IN MAY HELPED ME TO GET MY FOOT IN THE DOOR TO SECURE AN INTERNSHIP." - KYRENE GIBB

THE STUDENT EXPERIENCE

"BEFORE, I WAS OVERWHELMED WITH THE IDEA THAT I HAD NO IDEA HOW TO GET A JOB IN DC, BUT THANKS TO TALKING TO RECENT GRADS WORKING ON CAPITOL HILL, I NOW HAVE A PRETTY GOOD IDEA OF HOW TO REACH MY CAREER AND EDUCATIONAL GOALS."

"EACH WORK SITE VISIT WAS SO UNIQUE AND EVERYONE WE MET WITH WAS SO NICE AND FRIENDLY AND WILLING TO ANSWER QUESTIONS. THE VISITS HELPED ME REALIZE THAT I HAVE MANY MORE OPTIONS THAN I WOULD HAVE EXPECTED IN REGARDS TO THE CAREERS I CAN PURSUE WITH A POLITICAL SCIENCE DEGREE."

"MY FAVORITE PART OF THE CONFERENCE WAS JUDGE GRIFFITH SPEAKING TO US AND THE BANQUET BECAUSE I WAS ABLE TO MEET AND TALK TO PEOPLE IN A SETTING THAT DIDN'T SEEM Awkward OR CONTRIVED. LISTENING TO HIM SPEAK WAS VERY BENEFICIAL BECAUSE I LEARNED SOME VERY IMPORTANT THINGS ABOUT LIFE IN POLITICS THAT RECONCILED POLITICS WITH MY PERSONAL BELIEFS."