Goals:
1. Get exposure to “Potomac Fever” – Washington DC culture, political scene, etc.
2. Learn about federal political process
3. Meet and discuss policy issues with non-governmental organizations
4. Learn about issues affecting East African agriculture (study trip preparation)
5. Learn about special interest groups – issues, approaches, lobbying styles
6. Look at leadership from a military/historical perspective

Sunday, September 23, 2018: (Dress is business casual)
Facilitator: (All)

AM  Travel by bus to Washington (see travel instructions in class letter)
(5:00 Batavia, 7:15 Syracuse, 8:30 Kirkwood, 9:30 Scranton, 2:15 Wash., DC)
(Leadership project and business donor suggestion forms returned w/ comments)
12:00 Lunch en route (fast food stop, on your own)
2:30 Arrive, check in at hotel if possible (at the latest)
3:00 Travel to the African American History Museum, 1400 Constitution Ave. NW
Walk – only about 8 blocks west – or have bus drop us there
3:30 Group tour at the National Museum of African American History & Culture
6:00 Dinner at Old Ebbitt Grill, 675 15th St. NW (walk)
7:30 Night time tour of the monuments (by bus – All About Town Tours)
9:30 Return to hotel by bus; adjourn (no hospitality suite)

Monday, September 24, 2018: (Dress is business attire)
Facilitator: Lauren Williams

7:00 Breakfast on your own (provided in hotel)
7:30 Travel to Hall of States Building, 444 N. Capitol St. NW, Rm. 285 (Walk)
8:00 The Mechanics of our National Government - Dr. James Thurber, Distinguished Professor, Center for Congressional and Presidential Studies, American University
9:00 Speakers on the Legislative Process
  Kevin Bailey, Senate Ag Comm – role of committees
  Felix Muniz, Legislative Assistant, Office of U.S. Rep. Marcia Fudge
  Tom O’Brien, House committee on Appropriations – appropriations
11:00 Dr. Barbara Glen, CEO, NASDA – “cooperative federalism”
12:00 Catered lunch at Hall of States Building (w/ instructions for SIG visits)
  Get group picture at Upper Center Park Fountain before they depart for visits
1:00 Travel to Special Interest Group visits (find your own directions based on address)
1:30 Special Interest Group Visits (see separate roster for exact times and locations)
3:15 (Approx.) Finish SIG visit; travel to JW Marriott, 1331 Pennsylvania Ave. NW
4:00 United Fresh Trade Speaker – Grand Ballroom (Lower Level)
5:00 United Fresh Networking Reception
6:30 Move to group dinner location (Carmine’s, 425 7th St NW; Puccini Room)
7:00 Group dinner (Do small group report outs about SIG visits)
8:30 Adjourn (no hospitality suite)

Tuesday, September 25, 2018: (Dress is business attire)
Facilitator: Emma Long
7:00 Breakfast on your own (provided in hotel)
7:45 Travel to AFBF, 600 Maryland Ave. SW, 10th Floor, Suite 1000W,
Jefferson AB Conference Rm
WALK - about 3 blocks NW to L’Enfant Plaza
8:00 Dave Salmonsen – Welcome to AFBF
8:30 Trade panel (20 min. ea. w/ 15 min. Q&A) – Jefferson AB Conference Room
Dave Salmonsen (class 5), VP Gov’t Affairs, AFBF
Ken Monahan, National Association of Manufacturers
Vanessa Sciarra, National Foreign Trade Council
10:00 Break – sponsored by AFBF
10:15 Updates on Federal Legislation and other national issues (30 min ea. w/ Q&A)
Farm Bill: Andrew Walmsley, John Newton (AFBF)
Labor and Immigration: Paul Schlegel (AFBF)
11:45 Catered lunch at AFBF
Facilitator: Natasha Thompson
12:30 Travel back to hotel (walk); Meeting Room 2-3
1:00 Briefings to prepare for study trip:
1:00 USAID – Melissa Fraser and Mark Phelan
2:00 Don Evans, USDA/FAS
2:45 Break
3:00 Mr. Abdirizak Musa, Trade and Investment Counselor, Kenya Embassy in the US
4:00 Dr. Margaret Zeigler, Global Harvest Initiative
5:00 Adjourn (Larry meet with study trip team?)
6:00 Dinner on your own (see facilitator recommendations)

Wednesday, September 26, 2016: (Dress is warm business casual)
Facilitator: (All)
7:00 Check out, breakfast on your own (provided at hotel)
7:30 Bus travel to Gettysburg (Visitor’s Center)
9:30 Paul Marhevka - Tour Gettysburg Battlefield; focus on leadership
12:00 Lunch at visitor’s center (box)
1:00 Depart towards NY
Debriefing on bus – facilitator team
Housekeeping, facilitator team meetings (October, January)
(4:00 Scranton, 5:00 Kirkwood, 6:15 Syracuse, 8:30 Batavia)