Welcome to the University of Washington.

I’m pleased to introduce you to the C21 Fellowship Program, a new offering for UW undergraduates that combines the best of a world-class research university with the innovation that will be essential for the next generation of leaders.

The program was developed by the College of Arts & Sciences to ensure that our students have the skills and habits of mind they will need to adapt to our rapidly changing world. Over the course of their careers, these students are likely to change positions an average of 10 times—and some of those positions will be in disciplines that don’t yet exist. It is imperative that we educate them not just for their first job, but for success in future positions that none of us can yet imagine.

The C21 Fellowship Program is designed with this in mind. Its immersive experiences, mentor relationships, student-led projects, and career resources will encourage students to be adaptive, flexible thinkers who can provide fresh perspectives across industries and communities.

Our program begins this summer with study abroad in León, Spain where students can earn 6 academic credits toward their degree. I look forward to joining the C21 Fellows in León and getting to know them personally as they embark on their UW education.

We in the College are excited about this bold new program. I invite you to be part of it.

Sincerely,

Bob Stacey
Dean of the College of Arts & Sciences

“I was initially kind of concerned about coming to such a big university and meeting people, but this has been a good way to meet some new friends...We have to turn to each other a lot for support and work together to accomplish the assignments we’re given.”

– Alex, C21 Fellow

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What is C21?
The Center for 21st Century Liberal Learning (C21) combines the University of Washington’s research strengths with our students’ interests in creating real-world contributions. This specially designed program features immersive learning experiences, partnerships both on campus and in the community, and a network of mentors to help guide students on the pathway toward selecting a major and preparing for a career after college.

What is C21 Fellows Program?
The Fellows Program offers incoming freshmen an early start to their college experience. The program includes:

• An intensive summer orientation to the practice of liberal learning. Students will explore their surroundings and pursue student-led projects in León, Spain while getting to know each other and College of Arts & Sciences leadership.

• Small, mentor-led communities. A network of faculty, staff, and advisors will engage Fellows in their learning from day one, helping to integrate their studies and other high-impact learning experiences.

• College-to-career connections. The C21 Fellows Program partners with the UW Career Center to lead career development initiatives and foster deeper connections with outside employers.

• Applied learning experiences. Students will engage in real-world projects to develop career skills that today’s employers seek.

Who is eligible?
We are looking for 60 adventurous incoming freshmen of diverse backgrounds and interests to participate in the 2015 C21 Fellows Program. Selection is not based on grade point averages or high school transcripts. In order to be a C21 fellow, you must:

• Be a UW freshman who has been accepted to the University and will start in Autumn 2015.
• Be 18 years old by July 23, 2015.
• Participate in the summer intensive, July 23-August 14 in León, Spain.
• Be able to obtain a passport (and visa if necessary) for travel to international destinations.

First stop... León, Spain
JULY 23 - AUGUST 14, 2015

The C21 Fellows program will begin with an immersive, intensive freshman study abroad in León, Spain. The goal of this program is to initiate students into the practice of learning alongside a community of close travel companions—a practice that will continue when we return to the University of Washington campus.

Students will explore León and the surrounding area, with facilitation by experienced UW staff and academic advisors. Robert Stacey, Dean of the College of Arts & Sciences and a professor of history, will join the group during the trip and lead our intellectual journey into medieval Spain while we explore historic sites and art of the region. The rest of the trip will focus on student-led projects that will emerge out of a process of inquiry.

Students can earn 6 academic credits toward their UW degree for participation in the León program.

Scholarships Available
Thanks to generous financial sponsors, we are able to offer a number of partial and full scholarships for the León segment of the C21 fellowship. The amount of the scholarship award will be determined by the Office of Financial Aid. Students who qualify for full scholarship will also receive free airfare.

Apply Now!
Early applicants will be given priority consideration for admission and scholarship funding. Scholarship awards will be granted on a space available basis.

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