



PELL CENTER
for INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS
and PUBLIC POLICY

The Pell Center for International Relations and Public Policy is a think-tank on the campus of Salve Regina University in Newport, R.I. Our programs are designed to generate new ideas, to expand public understanding of important issues and, ultimately, to help the public and its leaders make better decisions.

International Relations

The world today is a study in global contradictions. More people live in freedom than at any time in modern history, yet creeping authoritarianism threatens societies across the planet. Economic prosperity is up and famine is down, but conflicts over resources are all too real. Global challenges abound, but global institutions have too frequently failed to rise to the challenge. Research and events at the Pell Center are designed to seek a new path by studying not just what drives us apart, but what draws us together and what we all can learn from our shared humanity.

Public Policy

Qualified leaders are essential to civic success. The Pell Center, building off the strengths of a distinguished faculty at Salve Regina University, conducts research and supports projects intended to have an immediate and enduring impact to benefit the American people through sound analysis, better governance, and greater awareness. “Leadership Matters” is an innovative, multi-phased leadership development program for public leaders. Through coursework, mentoring and shared experiences, we are creating a community of leaders prepared for the challenges of public leadership in the 21st century.

Cyber Leadership

“Leadership in a Cyber Age” is an initiative to help prepare America’s institutional leaders for the complexities of operating in an era of cyber threat. Ongoing research seeks to identify and investigate key issues in leadership development, and to recommend improvements so that the United States, as a society, is prepared for the threats of the modern world. Each month we bring together corporate and political leaders, as well as law enforcement officials, for information sharing sessions through the Rhode Island Corporate Cybersecurity Initiative (RICCI).

Story in the Public Square

The most effective argument in public life is a story: it conveys emotion, intent, imagination and vision. Stories, better than cold facts, promote action. Story in the Public Square is an effort to study, celebrate and tell stories that matter. The initiative awards the Pell Center Prize for Story in the Public Square each year to a storyteller whose body of work has shaped public understanding. Throughout the year, research and events help inform the project and our broader community about the power of storytelling in public life.

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