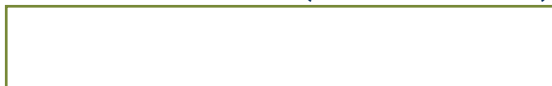


The SPS Communications team welcomes student submissions for the SPS website. Please use this document as a general guide to writing blog content.

1. Introduction (~100 words)



Introduce yourself, which might include where you were or what you were doing just before joining SPS or the event in question.

Tell us what this blog is about, which might be:

- A story of why you chose SPS and/or the program you're in
- A story about an event you attended or an experience you had while at SPS
- A story of changing careers

We Welcome Photo Essays



If you participated in an event or club activity related to SPS, consider contributing a photo essay in lieu of a blog post. Include:

- 4 to 6 high-res photos with long captions
- An introduction describing the event or activity (lots of details, please: dates, who joined you, where you went, what you did)

2. Main Body (~300 words)



Tie the piece into one of the following:

- **What are you learning in your program?**
- **What is something happening in the world that directly relates to your lived experience?**
For example, if wildfires are happening and you are from a region impacted by that, talk about that.
- **What is something happening in the world that directly relates to your program/studies?**
For instance, if the UN General Assembly is in session, you could write about what you think about the talks and relate it to conflict-negotiating skills that you are learning about.
- **What advice do you have for incoming students?** For example, what are some things you wish you would have known at the start of your SPS program?

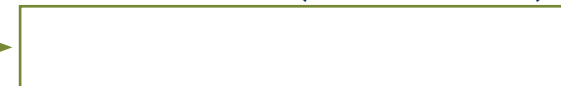
If none of the above work, write about why you chose the program or what your favorite class is and why. Please use specific examples of your time at SPS. Those examples bring the pieces to life!

Need some inspiration?

Here are a couple of past student pieces:

- > [Sustainability Management Student Addresses Gender Disparity in the COP29 Climate Committee](#)
- > [From the Marine Corps to Columbia's Human Capital Management Program](#)
- > [VR Experience Opens SPS Students to a New Tool in Conflict Resolution and Empathy Building](#)

3. Conclusion (~100 words)



Stick your landing! Tell us:

- What have you learned? **OR**
- What do you hope others have learned from your experience? **OR**
- How has this experience changed you?

Tips

Write in the first person—from your perspective. Please do not write in the third person.

Be specific. For instance, you can say something like, "When Professor XX in our [NAME OF THE COURSE] told us about how climate change impacts low-lying areas, I thought of how my childhood neighborhood might not exist in a few decades."

Please include a photo. If the piece involves some event that you attended, please send us a photo that includes you.

Please edit your work before submitting it. We are a small team, and if we have to make a lot of changes, it might cause considerable delays in publishing the piece.