Nonprofit Studies (16NPM)

Description

The interdisciplinary minor in Nonprofit Studies is designed to prepare students for careers in the nonprofit sector, in both paid and volunteer positions. The program provides students with an understanding of the role of the nonprofit sector in society and builds students’ knowledge, skills, and abilities in effective nonprofit leadership. Through multiple service-learning experiences and a nonprofit internship requirement, students are offered a variety of hands-on experiences designed to facilitate an understanding of the issues and challenges faced by nonprofit organizations and prepare students for nonprofit leadership positions in the 21st century. The minor in Nonprofit Studies is a strong complementary course of study for students with majors offered across the NC State campus including Communication, English, History, Political Science, Psychology, Social Work; Parks, Recreation and Tourism; Forestry; Business Management; Art and Design; Education and more. The minor in Nonprofit Studies enables students to explore the interconnections between their chosen field and the nonprofit sector. No courses for the minor may be taken for S/U credit.

Requirements

- Completion of a minimum of 16 credit hours of coursework, including an internship in a nonprofit organization (either departmental or through the Institute for Nonprofits).
- A grade of ‘C-‘ or better is required in all courses in the minor program.
- Students must have a minimum overall grade point average of 2.0 to obtain the minor in Nonprofit Studies.
- A maximum of ONE (1) course may be used (double-counted) towards both departmental major requirements and minor requirements.

Required Courses (minimum of 13 credit hours)

- PS 203 Introduction to Nonprofits (3cr)
- COM 466 Nonprofit Leadership and Development (3cr)
- HI 380 History of Nonprofits, Philanthropy, and Social Change (3cr)
- NPS 490 Internship in Nonprofit Studies (4cr) OR one of the following departmental internships: COM 496, ENG 350, PS 391, SOC 413, PSY 495, SW 490 (3cr minimum, varies by department, placement in a nonprofit organization is required)
- NPS 498 Capstone Seminar in Non-Profit studies (1cr)
Elective Courses (3 credit hours)

Choose one course from the following list*:

- ACC 410 Governmental and Nonprofit Accounting (3cr)
- COM 226 Introduction to Public Relations (3cr)
- COM 456 Organizational Communication (3cr)
- ECD 210 Caldwell Fellows Honors Seminar: Foundations in Self-Development (*restricted to Caldwell Fellows only*)
- HI 381 NGO Nonprofits in a Global Context (3cr)
- NPS 340 Fundamentals of Grant Development for Nonprofits (3cr)
- PHI 420 Global Justice (3cr)
- PS 202 State and Local Government (3cr)
- PS 310 American Public Policy (3cr)
- SOC 311 Community Relations (3cr)
- SOC 410 Sociology of Organizations (3cr)
- STS 323 World Population and Food Products (3cr)
- SW 201 Community Social Services (4cr)
- SW 307 Social Welfare Policy: Analysis and Advocacy (3cr)
- * or a relevant course approved by the Director of the Institute for Nonprofits

Admissions

Please email nonprofitminor@ncsu.edu for information.

Certification

Prior to the end of the first week of the student’s final semester, the student must sign the application form, indicating all grades received for the courses completed in the minor program and any courses to be taken during the student’s final semester. The form must also indicate that the student has completed or is completing the internship and capstone course requirement. The Director of the Institute for Nonprofits, as listed below, will certify the completion of the minor.

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