

Nonprofit Studies (Minor)

The interdisciplinary minor in Nonprofit Studies is designed to prepare undergraduate students for careers in the nonprofit sector. This curriculum 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.

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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Plan Requirements

- Completion of a minimum of 16 credit hours of coursework, including an internship in a nonprofit organization.
- 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 TWO (2) courses may double-count between major departmental requirements and courses counting toward the minor.
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Code	Title	Hours
Required Courses		
PS 203	Introduction to Nonprofits	3
COM 466	Nonprofit Leadership & Development	3

HI 380	History of Nonprofits, Philanthropy, and Social Change	3
NPS 490	Service Learning Internship in Nonprofit Studies	3
Or one of the following internship courses:		
COM 496	Communication Internship ¹	
ENG 350	Professional Internships ¹	
PS 391	Internship in Political Science ¹	
SOC 413	Criminal Justice Field Work ¹	
PSY 495	Community-Based Applied Psychology ¹	
SW 490	Field Seminar ¹	
NPS 498	Capstone Seminar in Nonprofit Studies	1
Elective Courses		3
ACC 460	Governmental and Nonprofit Accounting	
COM 226	Introduction to Public Relations	
COM 456	Organizational Communication	
HI 381	Change-makers in a Global Context	
NPS 340	Fundamentals of Grant Development for Nonprofits	
PHI 420	Global Justice	
PS 202	State and Local Government	
PS 310	Public Policy	
SOC 311	Community Relationships	
SOC 410	Sociology of Organizations	
STS 323	World Population and Food Prospects	
SW 201	Introduction to Social Work	
SW 307	Social Welfare Policy: Analysis and Advocacy	
A relevant course approved by the minor advisor.		
Total Hours		16

¹ Departmental Internship: 3 credit minimum, varies by department, placement in a nonprofit organization is required.

Residency requirement: Nine credit hours must be completed at NC State University in order to complete the minor.