

# NONPROFIT STUDIES MINOR

**Banner Code:** NPS

## Academic Advising

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Nonprofit organizations significantly contribute to the provision of human services, access to the arts, education, recreation and health care, and protection of the environment. Effective nonprofit organizations provide direct services, influence public policy and build a civil society. The minor is designed to introduce students to the theoretical foundations and practical skills needed to be successful in this sector. Through heavy emphasis on experiential learning with the many excellent nonprofit organizations in our region, students learn to apply theory within the context of today's complex and rapidly changing environment.

## Faculty

Andere, Johnson, Unruh

## Admissions & Policies

## Policies

Eight credits of coursework must be unique to the minor and students must complete all coursework with a minimum GPA of 2.00. For policies governing all minors, see AP5.3.4 Minors.

## Requirements

## Minor Requirements

Total credits: 15

Students should be aware of the specific policies associated with this program, located on the Admissions & Policies tab.

### Core Courses

Code	Title	Credits
INTS 331	The Nonprofit Sector (Mason Core) <sup>1</sup>	4
INTS 431	Principles of Fund Raising <sup>1</sup>	4
Select one course (3-4 credits) from the following:		3-4
COMM 389	Public Relations for Associations and Nonprofits	
GOVT 354	Nonprofit Sector in Society	
GOVT 358	Nonprofit Financial Planning	
INTS 435	Leadership in a Changing Environment	
Total Credits		11-12

<sup>1</sup> These courses are approved by the School of Integrative Studies to earn experiential learning credits.

## Electives

Code	Title	Credits
Select 3-4 credits from the following:		
AVT 370	Entrepreneurship in the Arts	
COMM 335	Organizational Communication	
COMM 389	Public Relations for Associations and Nonprofits (if not taken as required course)	
CONF 101	Conflict and Our World (Mason Core)	
CONF 300	Conflict Resolution Techniques and Practice	
ECON 309	Economic Problems and Public Policies (Mason Core)	
ENGH 489	Proposal Writing and Development	
GOVT 358	Nonprofit Financial Planning	
GOVT 480	Internship	
INTS 210	Sustainable World (Mason Core)	
INTS 211	Introduction to Conservation Studies (Mason Core)	
INTS 304	Social Movements and Community Activism (Mason Core) <sup>1</sup>	
INTS 305	Conflict Resolution and Transformation	
INTS 375	Special Topics (when the topic is relevant with prior written approval of the director)	
INTS 390	International Internship (when the topic is relevant with prior written approval of the director) <sup>1</sup>	
INTS 397	Add-On Experiential Learning	
INTS 406	Global Leadership (Mason Core)	
INTS 410	Contemporary Health Issues	
INTS 422	An Experiential Approach to American Foreign Policy	
INTS 435	Leadership in a Changing Environment (if not taken as required course)	
INTS 490	Internship (when the topic is relevant with prior written approval of the director) <sup>1</sup>	
MBUS 301	Managing People and Organizations in a Global Economy	
PSYC 427	Community Engagement for Social Change (Mason Core)	
SOCI 492	Sociology of Organizations	
SOCW 483	Selected Topics in Social Work Intervention	
TOUR 220	Introduction to Event Management	
Total Credits		3-4

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