**Nonprofit Immersion Program: 2018-2019 Application Information**

The Nonprofit Immersion Program is an advanced leadership program that matches current Ohio State students with board members of local nonprofit organizations, providing students the opportunity to gain insight into the inner workings of nonprofit organizations while developing valuable community leadership skills. Each student will attend board sessions and relevant committee meetings, while completing a strategic project for the organization under the guidance of mentors. The strategic project will address a specific organizational need, identified in partnership with board members. Each student will work with board members and the program advisor to refine and develop the scope of the project, target key deliverables, conduct necessary analysis, and ultimately prepare recommendations for review. The results of the project will be presented to the board and fellow cohort members at the conclusion of the experience.

**Program Requirements**

Prospective Nonprofit Immersion Program participants are students who will be at least third-year (Junior) status by autumn semester 2018 and have a cumulative grade point average of 3.0 or higher.

Applicants should have a strong sense of social responsibility and interest in learning more about local community engagements and the structure of nonprofit and community service organizations. Although there are no specific academic backgrounds or interests required, selected students typically represent a diverse array of majors, previous community service experiences, and perspectives that can contribute to the cohort experience, as well as to the nonprofit organizations.

**Student Participation Expectations**

Enroll in PUBAFRS 2150, Intro to Nonprofit Organizations for AU2018. Three sections are offered on various dates/ times. If you have already completed this course, you will not need to repeat it.

Attend biweekly meetings on Tuesday evenings from 6:00-7:30pm in the Ohio Union in autumn and spring semesters to engage in co-curricular experiences (leadership and professional development, guest speakers, etc.)

Engage in at least 15 hours of community service for each semester.

Develop a strategic project aimed at addressing a specific board/agency need.

-This project will be developed over the course of autumn semester and implemented throughout spring semester.

***Note:*** *Students will need to travel to and from assigned nonprofit locations. Attempts will be made to assist in this coordination and accommodation. Ultimately, however, the responsibility falls on the student to arrange transportation to and from off-campus sites when applicable.*

**Application Requirements**

Interested students must submit an online application by the **deadline of Friday, March 23, 2018 at 11:59 p.m.** Late applications will not be considered.

In addition to basic contact information, the online application requires:

* Resume
* 3 brief essay responses (250 words max for each response):
  + What skills and experiences do you hope to gain from participating in this program? What do you hope to accomplish? Please be specific.
  + What knowledge, skills, and abilities do you possess that would contribute to the work of a nonprofit agency/ board?
  + Identify a systemic problem in a community you have been a part of. What strategic initiatives or solution(s) would you suggest to begin addressing this problem?
* Contact information (name, email, phone) for 2 professional or academic references

The application must be completed and submitted online here by the March 23 deadline.

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