

# PUBLIC SERVICE MINOR

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# NEWSLETTER



“We make a living by what we get, but we make a life by what we give.”

-Winston Churchill

## STAY UP TO DATE WITH PSM

Hello current and prospective Public Service Minor students! This is Christian 'Chris' Feliciano, the Program Coordinator for the Public Service Minor, and welcome to the first Monthly Newsletter of the year! In this issue, you will find out what the Public Service Minor entails, what it means to complete it, and the means to pursue opportunities in our program and around UC San Diego.

## MAKING MORE OF A DIFFERENCE

By Brian Goldfarb, Faculty Director of the Public Service Minor

As we develop the knowledge and skills that are foundational to our careers, a question that many of us ask is: how can I make my work meaningful and fulfilling on both a personal and public level? In the current global environment, the need for active citizenship and engagement with public needs is greater than it has ever been. Our world needs people who can influence those around them to respond to the multiple challenges of social conflicts, climate change, violence, and injustice, among other pressing concerns. The Public Service Minor, housed at Marshall College, is an opportunity for all students across UC San Diego to develop the experience and skills for channeling their civic values into their career. By emphasizing leadership, it also aims to support you in influencing future colleagues to making your workplace more responsive to public needs.

Whether you find employment in the private Sector, the government sector, or the nonprofit sector, there will be meaningful opportunities to address civic needs and concerns. As we exercise our social values and develop commitments to being caring citizens, the knowledge imparted by the Public Service Minor can bring deeper meaning to both our professional and personal lives.

### FOR PROSPECTIVE STUDENTS

What is PSM?  
What are the requirements?

#### The Public Service Minor and You

Sponsored by Thurgood Marshall College, the Public Service Minor encourages all UC San Diego students to understand the history and practices of public service. Through pursuit of the minor, students will experience avenues of academic and personal growth by means of service-learning and civic engagement.

“Research has shown that participation in service-learning – coursework that requires some form of community or public service – greatly enhances the undergraduate’s overall college experience.”

(Astin and Vogelgesang, 2000; Eyer et al., 2001)

#### Your Requirements

To successfully complete the minor, students must complete the following for a total of 28 units:

TMC 15 – Public Service in America

Three 4-unit upper-division “specialization” courses

Three upper-division (12 units) of Academic Internships in Service

#### Internships in Service

Students are encouraged to complete their Internships in Service requirement by contacting the Academic Internship Program Office to find the right opportunities for them. Students who are currently or have already engaged in credited opportunities in service are encouraged to contact Kristian Austin (Program Advisor, [kmaustin@ucsd.edu](mailto:kmaustin@ucsd.edu)) to inquire about petitioning those opportunities for completion towards the minor.

#### PSM FUN FACT

Completion of two “specialization” courses for the Public Service Minor may also count towards completion of your major (and vice versa)!

### FOR CONTINUING STUDENTS

Your PSM Checklist  
Your Courses

#### YOUR PSM CHECKLIST

Use this Checklist to mark the requirements you have completed towards completion of the Public Service Minor:

TMC 15 – Public Service in America

\_ Specialization Course (4 Units)

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\_ Internship in Service (4 Units)

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Contact the Academic Internship Office to begin your search for an Internship in Service for the 2017-18 academic year.

Visit their website here to get started!  
<https://aip.ucsd.edu/>

#### Your Courses Offered:

##### Education



- EDS 114, 117, 118
- ETHN 141
- PSYC 101

##### Health



- ANBI 141
- ECON 140
- PSYC 168

##### Government



- POLI 104A, 160AA
- USP 144

##### Social Issues



- COMM 171
- ETHN 141, 152
- SOCI 113, 141, 152, 180

Visit the PSM website for the full list of pre-approved courses.

## YOUR SERVICE RESOURCES AND OPPORTUNITIES

#### Community Service Transportation Program (CST)

If transportation to a service site is an obstacle for you, then this is your resource to you. The community Service Transportation Program provides student volunteers and tutors to have access to service sites through the greater San Diego area. To learn more about this resource, visit their website here:

<https://students.ucsd.edu/student-life/involvement/community/cstivans/index.html>

#### Community Service and the Center for Student Involvement

If you are looking for ways to get involved in service both at and around UC San Diego, then the Center for Student Involvement can provide all of that and more. With opportunities ranging from year-long service commitments (e.g. Alternative Breaks) to participation in service-based organizations (e.g. Education Corps and Justice Corps), there are numerous ways for you to get involved in service. To learn more, visit their website here:

## PSM INFORMATION SESSION

Week Five

Location: TMC Admin. Building, Room 127

Date: Oct. 30th, 2017

Time: 1:00 – 2:00 PM

Food will be provided!



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#### FALL QUARTER 2017 OFFICE HOURS

Tuesdays/Thursdays

9AM-11:30AM

TMC Admin Building