Nonprofit Immersion Program: 2016-2017 Application Information

The Nonprofit Immersion Program is an advanced leadership program that matches current OSU students with board members of local nonprofit organizations, providing students the opportunity to gain insight into the inner workings of non-profit 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 board members and program advisor. The student’s 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 of at least third year (Junior) status by Fall semester 2016 and have a cumulative grade point average of 3.0 or higher. Students who are using the Nonprofit Immersion Program as their STEP experience will also be eligible to apply, as well (even if you will not be a third-year student).

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 will represent a diverse array of majors, previous community service experiences, and perspectives that can contribute to the cohort experience, as well as to the non-profit organizations.

Once selected, students agree to the following:

- Enroll in PUBAFRS 2150, Intro to Nonprofit Organizations for AU2016 meeting (typically) Mondays and Wednesdays 2:20-3:40, or 4:30-5:50- (If you have already completed this course, please provide documentation as you will not need to repeat it)
- Commit to meeting biweekly on Tuesday evenings from 6:00-7:30pm in the Ohio Union throughout the year as a cohort to engage in co-curricular experiences (leadership and professional development, guest speakers, etc.)
- Participate in an off-campus professional development opportunity over Fall Break 2016.
- 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 Fall semester and implemented throughout the Spring semester

Note: Students will need to travel to and from assigned board 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 Deadline is March 4, 2016 by 11:59 p.m.

The application can be accessed [HERE](#).