

Center for Service-Learning Participating Disciplines List

Accounting -

Accounting students may work in a variety of settings that may require good writing skills, interpersonal communication skills, data entry and computer experience.

Administration of Justice -

Administration of Justice students may engage in career exploration through any of the 23 sites available.

Art -

Art students' participation is determined by their skills and area of interest. Students choose from a variety of settings that include neighborhood development projects, such as Building a Healthier Mesa's Area V After School Program, Maricopa County Parks and Recreation Department, Arizona Center for the Blind and Visually Impaired, Mesa Youtheatre, and Palmdale Traditional School Extended Day Program.

Anthropology -

Anthropology students may choose from 25 placement possibilities, depending on their interests. Ability to work with people of varied backgrounds and ages, ability to organize information, and the sensitivity to people and community issues are basic qualifications for most placements.

Biology -

Biology students can serve at a variety of agencies that relate to their course concepts. Opportunities can be discussed with the appropriate faculty advisor.

Business and Personal Computers -

Students may seek placement at any of 34 sites. Skill levels desired vary by site and range from graphic arts to knowledge of databases and spreadsheets to creating brochures and web sites.

Chemistry -

Please inquire for opportunities at 480.461.7393.

Communications -

Service-Learning options for communications students exceed 100 placement possibilities. Sites range from neighborhood and community action groups to statewide and nation-wide organizations.

Computer Information Systems -

A variety of learning experiences at sites with varying requirements are offered. For example, Adams Elementary School needs students to work with K-6 students teaching basic computer skills.

Counseling and Personal Development -

Students seeking Service-Learning experience Counseling and Personal Development may choose a placement at one of more than forty sites. Student may choose to work with any age group from very young children to senior citizens.

Education -

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Many Education majors choose to work in tutoring programs that give them hands on experience with struggling students--both children and adults Other options include teaching arts and crafts, health and fitness, early childhood education, neighborhood development projects, and wildlife preservation.

Engineering -

Service-Learning opportunities in Engineering include working with the American Hydrogen Association, aiding in their mission to promote non-polluting renewable energy resources. Student skills sought include the ability to plot basic statistics, word processing and computer graphics, and public relations skills. Please inquire for opportunities at 480-461-7393.

English -

English service-learning options range from helping produce neighborhood newsletters, to creating brochures for non-profit organizations, to research and administrative duties.

Fire Science -

Fire Science students may be placed with the Mesa Fire Department to help assist fire/EMT crews respond to non-emergency calls. Students may work in either a mobile or stationary position, serving as a link between the community and existing social service programs and resources.

General Business Systems -

Students interested in business may be placed at one of several agencies where they get hands-on, practical experience. At the city of Mesa Personnel Division, students may write class specifications or job descriptions with the essential functions of job consolidated with specifications on order to comply with the American's with Disabilities Act. They also learn to identify essential functions of a job through information gathering and review of data, and compensation and classified policies through training and research.

Geology -

Geology Service-Learning students work with elementary schools, museums, and non-profit geological and environmental consulting firms as tutors. Students serve as tutors, greeters, collections inventory specialists, or field/laboratory technicians. Basic skills sought include the ability to work with the public and data management skills.

History -

History students may seek placement in a variety of situations from museums, schools, or a related agencies.

Nursing -

Many Nursing students choose to work at area hospitals in a variety of positions depending upon their area of interest. Students may also explore a variety of social service or health and human services agencies.

Physical Sciences -

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Political Science -

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Political Science opportunities vary depending on interest and academic goals. Depending on their placement choice, students may be offered from two hours up to 30 hours of training and in-service training seminars.

Psychology -

There are a variety of placement opportunities ranging from shelters, social service agencies, and schools.

Reading -

Service-learning credits may be earned in Reading at a variety of sites.

Recreation -

Service-Learning options range from coaching sports, assisting with recess at elementary school, to assisting with events.

Sociology -

Sociology students may choose from nearly 90 placement opportunities. Students may work with any age group, people with a variety of ability levels, abused or abandoned children, homeless families, or they may choose to work in positions at sites such as the City of Mesa and a variety of nonprofit organizations.

Spanish -

Native speakers of Spanish and Spanish-as-a-second-language students are offered placement at area agencies, schools, and neighborhood programs. Verbal and written communication skills are desired but not required at all sites.

Social Work -

Our "282's" for students in Social Work offer documented work experience toward ASU's required 240 hours of service. Students may work at any of 100 sites, or explore several career options by working in different placements. The practical hands-on experience and additional training offered by many sites provide SWU students with a solid foundation for career planning.

Theater -

Theater students are particularly needed to work with young people in schools, or community and neighborhood programs. Make-up artists, directors, and teachers are needed at a variety of sites.