



Hagedorn Internship

Nonprofit Experience

Bachelor of Science in Public Affairs (BSPA) students have the unique opportunity to gain real-world experience through an internship in the nonprofit sector. Financial support is from the Hagedorn Foundation. Students must have declared the BSPA degree and hold an overall GPA of 3.00 to register for PAF 5452, Public Affairs Internship.

Students are required to attend a 3-credit internship class, work 10-hours per week in a nonprofit organization, submit a final report, and make an oral presentation at the end of the semester. Fellows may develop fundraising strategies, conduct research studies, implement projects, or coordinate client activities. A \$1,500 award is made upon the successful completion of the job assignment and the final report.

The internship supervisor is Professor Michael Feller. He is a former Vice President at Chase Bank where he worked with major nonprofit organizations at the national, state, and local levels. He presently coordinates internships for Baruch College's BSPA, MPA, and MS in Educational Leadership degrees. His emphasis is on ensuring meaningful part-time work assignments that prepare students for public service careers.

For more information, contact Professor Feller at michael.feller@baruch.cuny.edu. Students must obtain his approval prior to registering for PAF 5452.

Placement Examples

Alvin Ailey American Dance Theater was founded in 1958 by dancer, choreographer and visionary Alvin Ailey. It brings African-American cultural expression and the modern dance tradition to the world.

The Arab-American Family Support Center provides comprehensive social services to immigrant families as they adjust to a new culture and navigate American laws and cultural norms.

Global Kids develops youth leaders for the global stage through dynamic global education and leadership development programs.

The Lawyers Alliance for New York is the leading provider of business and transactional legal services for organizations that are enhancing the quality of life in neighborhoods.

Lenox Hill Neighborhood House provides integrated services – social, educational, legal, housing, health, mental health and fitness—to improve the lives of 20,000 people in need on the East Side of Manhattan.

Pro Mujer works to provide Latin America's poor women with the means to build livelihoods for themselves and futures for their families through microfinance, business training, and healthcare support.