

Honors Service Learning Requirement Information

As part of the Honors program requirements, students are required to complete a 3-credit hour Service Learning course. This can be fulfilled in the following ways:

- Completing **ANY** 3 credit hour Service Learning course
- Completing an internship course for which the internship had a service or social justice focus (must be pre-approved by Dr. Katz)
- Completing an experiential learning or internship course offered by a study abroad program (see www.luc.edu/honors/requirements.shtml).

FAQs

I completed a 1 or 2 credit hour Service Learning course already. Does this count?

If you completed a 1 or 2 credit hour Service Learning course prior to Spring 2011, then you have fulfilled the requirement. If you are taking your Service Learning course during Spring 2011 or after, you must complete 3 credit hours to fulfill the requirement.

How do I find a Service Learning course?

You can search for Service Learning courses using the LOCUS Class Search function. Choose "Service Learning" from the drop down menu provided and click "Search".

I am doing a class that counts for the Civic Engagement and Leadership Value Area. Does that count for the Service Learning requirement?

No, not necessarily. While some courses double dip as Service Learning and Civic Engagement and Leadership, not all of them do. The course must be explicitly identified in LOCUS as Service Learning.

Currently, I am doing a community service project. Does this count for the Service Learning requirement?

No, you must take an 3 credit course to fulfill the Service Learning requirement. If you have an ongoing service project, you could take UNIV 290 concurrently with your service project to fulfill the Service Learning requirement. The Center for Experiential Learning coordinates this course and can determine whether your service experience qualifies for the class.

In terms of internships, what qualifies as "service or social justice focused"?

Service and social justice focused internships will have a significant component with either substantial community service and/or initiatives aimed at addressing social injustices (i.e. poverty, education gaps, human trafficking, etc.). Internships that focus on daily office operations (i.e. filing, copying, general reports, etc.) do not count as Service Learning.

I heard you could only take an HONR Service Learning course to count toward this requirement. Is that true?

*No. Although HONR 290 (The Literacy Center) is one of your options, you can take **ANY** 3 credit hour Service Learning course to fulfill this requirement.*

