PHILANTHROPY & PUBLIC SERVICE (PPS)

PPS 1100  Introduction to Citizenship and Community Service  (1)
Designed to introduce students to shared public challenges and to help
them cultivate the knowledge, skills, commitments, partnerships, and
imagination required to orient their emerging expertise toward human
flourishing and the common good. Scholarship is enriched by learning
outside the classroom through engagement activities such as research,
service, and reflection. May be repeated a maximum of four times with a
different topic each time.

PPS 1102  Community Law Enforcement  (1)
Examination of the criminal justice system, law enforcement, police,
courts, and the corrections system through service-learning, as well as
classroom instruction.

PPS 2301  Leadership and Social Change  (3)
Theory and practice of leading groups toward positive social change,
emphasizing issues such as poverty, public education, and systemic
inequality. A minimum of sixty hours of public service outside of class
required.

PPS 3300  Citizenship, Community, and Service Learning  (3)
Pre-requisite(s): Upper-level standing or consent of instructor
Intensive integration of academic study with service learning
opportunities in the community. Course emphasis will vary by semester.
Seminar discussions, readings, and personal reflection will enrich the
community volunteer experience. A minimum of three hours per week of
community service is required.

PPS 3301  Public Policy Innovation and the Common Good  (3)
The role of public and private actors in the making and implementation
of public policies directed to address complex problems. Special focus
on the collaborative efforts of government and nonprofit entities as they
seek solutions that contribute to the public good.

PPS 3302  Criminal Justice and Community Law Enforcement  (3)
Cross-listed as CCS 3302, PSC 3302
Examination of the criminal justice system, law enforcement, police,
courts, and the corrections system from the perspective of law
enforcement personnel, alleged offenders, and victims of crime.

PPS 3372  Law, Justice and the Community  (3)
Cross-listed as PSC 3372
Pre-requisite(s): Upper-level standing
Introduction to legal practice. Contains community service component
and required internship in legal offices.

PPS 4301  Social & Economic Innovation  (3)
Pre-requisite(s): Upper-level standing or consent of instructor
Develop theoretical and historical frameworks to understand how social
and economic innovation can be employed to promote human flourishing.
Students participate outside class in social and economic innovation in
the community through partner-led projects and interactions.

PPS 4302  Civic & Community Innovation  (3)
Pre-requisite(s): Upper-level standing or consent of instructor
Develop understanding of how institutions across the public, private,
and social sectors can collaborate and innovate to promote human
flourishing. Involves partnerships with the City of Waco in which students
apply learning to promote community improvement initiatives.

PPS 4303  Christian Social Innovation  (3)
Pre-requisite(s): Upper-level standing or consent of instructor
Examines historical, theological, and theoretical frameworks, along
with strategies that encourage Christians to build, renew, and transform
institutions. Students spend time outside class working with institutions
throughout the community to promote human flourishing.

PPS 4304  Nonprofits, the Social Sector, & Philanthropic Innovation  (3)
Pre-requisite(s): PPS 1100 or approval of instructor
Explores the role of nonprofit organizations and the social sector in a
democratic society. Evaluates effective practices in consultation with
nonprofit leaders and engages with nonprofit partners to explore new
innovations for social impact.

PPS 4310  Philanthropy, Civil Society, & the Public Good  (3)
Pre-requisite(s): Upper-level standing
The role of philanthropy and civil society in public problem solving
with an introduction to ethics and importance of financial giving and
community investments. Students will spend significant time outside
class working with foundations and nonprofits.

PPS 4V98  Advanced Study in Philanthropy and Social Innovation  (1-4)
Advanced study in philanthropy, the social sector, and social innovation,
with emphasis on cross-sector collaboration and innovative approaches
to pursuing the public good.