



Minor in Civic Engagement and Youth Leadership

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The minor in Civic Engagement and Youth Leadership is an interdisciplinary program focused on civic engagement and service learning, designed to prepare UNC Charlotte students to become informed and engaged citizens by providing students with an opportunity to be agents of change in their community. The minor is open to all majors who seek to explore the strengths, capabilities, and issues of youth and civic engagement. Elective courses are concentrated in the areas of Urban Youth and Education, Communities, and Society.

Admission and Program Requirements

No minimum GPA is required. No course prerequisite is required for admission, but some elective courses may have prerequisites. In courses applied to the minor, students must maintain a GPA of 2.0 or higher.

The minor in Civic Engagement and Youth Leadership is open to all majors. The minor is relatively flexible and can be declared at any time as long as the required 15 hours of coursework, including the capstone course, CUYC 3600, can be completed in time for graduation. There is one introductory required course, CTCM 2530 Citizenship, for all majors. Education majors are also required to take EDUC 3200. This minor will require a capstone project (CUYC 3600) to be completed after all other minor requirements have been completed or with enrollment in required courses simultaneously with enrollment in the capstone course.

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Suggested Plan of Study for the Minor in Civic Engagement and Youth Leadership

Required Courses:

All majors except education majors:

CTCM 2530 Critical Thinking & Communication

CUYC 3600 Community Engagement Capstone*

*(Completed after all other requirements are met)

Cato College of Education majors only:

EDUC 3200 Service-Learning Teaching Methods for K-12 Educators (*Spring only*)

CTCM 2530 Critical Thinking & Communication

CUYC 3600 Community Engagement Capstone*

*(Completed after all other requirements are met)

Electives:

6-9 elective hours are required. Six hours are required if you take EDUC 3200 (for Education majors), and 9 hours otherwise. The one elective course (3 hours) must be chosen in each of the following areas: Urban Youth and Education, Communities, and Society. Approved electives by area are listed below.

Urban Youth and Education (3 hours required in this area)

ECEI 2111	Theoretical Foundations of Early Childhood Care and Education
CJUS 2361	Juvenile Justice
EDUC 1511	Public Education and Schooling in the US
EDUC 3200	Service-Learning Teaching Methods for K-12 Educators
MDSK 2100	Foundations of Education in Secondary Schools
PSYC 2370	Child Development
PSYC 2371	Adolescent Development
SOCY 4135	Sociology of Education
*Other courses as approved by the TEAL advisor	

Communities (3 hours required in this area)

AFRS 2215	Black Families in the United States
ANTH 2125	Urban Anthropology
GEOG 2000	Topics in Geography
GEOG 2200	Introduction to Urban Studies
GEOG 4220	Housing Policy and Planning
LTAM 1501	Introduction to Latin American Politics and Society
LTAM 1502	Introduction to Latin American History and Culture
PSYC 3357	Introduction to Community Psychology
RELS 3137	Religion in the African American Experience
*Other courses as approved by the TEAL advisor	

Society (3 hours required in this area)

AFRS 3101	Perspectives on Race and Ethnicity in the US
CHES 3480	Citizenship and Service Practicum
CJUS 3366	Domestic Violence
CJUS 4363	Gender, Race, and Justice
COMM 3136	Leadership, Service, and Ethics
HIST 3218	Racial Violence, Colonial Times to Present
PSYC 3808	Undergraduate Teaching Assistantship (Summer only)
SOCY 3143	Social Movements
SOCY 4111	Social Inequality
SOCY 4125	Urban Sociology
*Other courses as approved by the TEAL advisor	