

GOVERNMENT AND PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION

LEARNING EXPERIENCES BEYOND THE CLASSROOM

Avocations and Hobbies

- Read the newspapers, watch news broadcasts and keep informed of current politics on the local, state, national and international level
- Attend political rallies or lectures
- Participate in debate team, forensics, any other activities involving oral communication skills
- Join the DECA club or other political organizations at school

Classroom/ Teacher Assistant

- Be a Class Assistant for AP Government or Social Issues Class

Independent Study, Research, or Project

- Research the voting patterns of students when electing court or student government at Memorial High School, or the effectiveness of past students in school office positions
- Research patterns of interest in Memorial Climate Survey
- Poll student body regarding candidates of choice during national, state or local elections
- Hold a mock election

Internship (paid or unpaid)/ Youth Apprenticeship/ Co-op

- Page program – Washington D.C.
- Pursue internships with local politicians at the Madison State Capitol

Job Shadowing

- Local politician
- Public Health, Government, or Non-profit Organization Management
- Public Advisor or Budget Analyst for the government
- Manager/Supervisor at local social service agencies such as Work Plus, Family Works, Wisconsin Association of Family and Children's Agencies

Part-Time or Summer Work

- State Capital
- Dane County, city offices, (example, City or Fitchburg) or parks department
- Department of Natural Resources
- Boys and Girls Club
- Law Office clerk/receptionist

Volunteer/ Service

- Go on a mission trip to help those in need somewhere out of state or country in 3rd world or harsher conditions than you are used to
- Volunteer with a political campaign or activist party of interest

- Participate in fundraising
- Serve on a community agency or school district panel as a student representative
- Local Representative/Senator or National Representative or Senator's office
- Assist with services to the homeless at the Salvation Army

COLLEGE MAJORS/PROGRAMS RELATED TO THIS FUTUREPATH:

- Legal studies
- Law
- Sociology
- Business Administration and Management
- City, Community, and Regional Planning
- Economics
- Emergency Management/Homeland Security
- Public Policy Analysis
- Civil Society and Community Studies

CAREERS RELATED TO THIS FUTUREPATH:

- Job at a Non-profit or Non-governmental organization
- Auditor
- Bank examiner
- Election supervisor
- Cargo or border inspector
- Child support officer
- Court administrator
- City, county or court clerk
- Elected official (city council, mayor, governor, etc.)
- City manager
- Lobbyist
- Legislative assistant
- Military member (Army, Navy, Marine Corps, Air Force, Coast Guard)
- Foreign service, diplomatic or consular officer
- Planner
- Census clerk
- Federal aid coordinator
- Tax examiner
- Internal revenue agent or investigator

