

Leadership & Civic Engagement

Minor

The interdisciplinary **Leadership and Civic Engagement (LCE) minor** is designed for any student whose objective is to practice leadership on our campus and in the community. It complements any major, offering the opportunity to promote positive social change. As you practice leadership on campus and in the community, you'll gain the skills to succeed in a variety of careers and professions, and you'll distinguish yourself from others on campus and in the marketplace upon graduation.

The LCE curriculum focuses on communication, service, diversity, ethics, group dynamics, leadership theory, policy, and decision making. The LCE faculty are highly respected for their interdisciplinary skills and expertise in leadership, community organizing, and civic engagement.

Curriculum overview

Students minoring in Leadership and Civic Engagement are required to take two core courses:

- LCE 200 - Introduction to Leadership and Civic Engagement
- LCE 400 - Leadership and Civic Engagement Practicum

An additional 15 credits are required, with students taking one course from each of the following categories:

- Communications
- Ethics
- Group/Organization Dynamics
- Diversity/Multiculturalism
- Policy and Decision Making

Course offerings vary by semester and can include topics like:

- SOA 336 - Gender, Policy, and Social Justice
- PSC 323 - Civil Liberties
- WGS 339 - Women and Public Policy
- MGT 320 - International Management
- PHL 215 - Introduction to Ethics

Skills Developed

Through theory and practice, you'll learn how to:

- communicate effectively through writing and public speaking
- solve problems
- apply leadership skills in a variety of contexts
- understand and enact social change
- work in teams
- apply leadership concepts to real-world settings

Sample Career Pathways

- Community Organizers (average salary \$40,594)
- Non-Profit Executive Directors (average salary \$49,386)
- State Representatives (average salary \$45,923)
- Government Affairs Directors (average salary \$98,599)
- Non-Profit Program Coordinators (average salary \$44,374)
- Mayors (average salary \$56,622)

Opportunities on campus + in the community

Leduc Center for Civic Engagement

UMass Dartmouth students and LCE students are encouraged to engage with the Leduc Center for Civic Engagement. Founded in 2008, the Robert and Jeanne Leduc Office for Civic Engagement supports the campus and students with the mission of integrating intellectual talents and pursuits with the needs of the community.

By the year 2025, the Leduc Office, in conjunction with internal and external partners, will have positively impacted the regional challenges of low educational attainment and economic development by empowering, engaging, and effecting change individually and collectively. The overarching goal of the Leduc Center is to enhance student learning through civic engagement, meaningful community service, and service-learning; to foster engaged scholarship with students, faculty, and the community; and to develop and sustain partnerships and programs to positively impact community life, early literacy rates, and college awareness.

For more information on the Leduc Center visit umassd.edu/leduc.



**Scan
for more
information
on the
UMass Dartmouth
Leadership and Civic Engagement
minor**

SCAN ME