CCEL Public Service Scholars

The CCEL Public Service Scholars program is funded by partial scholarships from the University of Alaska system. This application certifies that you are prepared to devote 5-10 hours per week to supporting community engagement as a liaison between the UAA campus and community networks and coalitions in particular thematic areas (e.g. Food Systems, Our Alaskan Environment, Health & Well-Being, Positive Child & Youth Development, Arts, Language & Culture; Access to Justice).

Activities that you may be involved with can include but not be limited to:

- Community-based research through academic courses; supporting faculty-community engaged projects or research.
- Policy analysis or issue briefs on assigned issues.
- Participation in Think Tanks and Urban in Alaska Conference during academic year.
- Construction and maintenance of Social Media/Community Information Hubs for issue areas above.

Public Scholars may apply from any major and will be encouraged to, though not required to, complete the existing Civic Engagement Certificate as an enhancement to their community-engaged work. In addition, the position of PS and meetings required may be used as internship credit for CEL A395, Civic Engagement Internship.

**Public Scholar Requirements**

We ask the students in this program to:

- Attend a weekly meeting with CCEL Staff
- Coordinate/Act as Liaison with a Faculty Mentor(s) and Community Networks on one of the issue areas outline above.
- Be prepared to address any of the above activities that you may be asked to contribute to.
- Have a 2.5 GPA, 5-10 available hours for community engagement, and interest in being civically engaged with community issues.

Please check your response to the following two questions:

1. Are you interested in pursuing an internship in Anchorage during the summer of 2018 with a stipend of $2500
   
   Yes   No

2. Are you interested in continuing your position as Public Scholar for the 2018-19 academic year with a scholarship?
   
   Yes   No
Public Service Scholar Application

Thank you for your interest in becoming a Public Service Scholar!

Please fill out the information requested, including a Personal Statement.

I. Applicant Information

Name: ___________________________ Student ID ____________

Email: ___________________________ Phone: ______________________

Mailing Address: _____________________________________________________________

Academic Major(s) or Undeclared _____________________________

Minor or Certificate (or N/A) _____________________________

Education Status: Freshman __  Sophomore __  Junior __  Senior __  Graduate Student __

Cumulative GPA: ___________  Projected Graduation Date: _____________

II. Personal Statement

Please attach a one-page description of how your involvement with the Public Service Scholars program will benefit you and the community. What strengths can you bring to the program? In what ways does the program align with your educational, personal, and professional goals? Please include work experience, extracurricular involvement and volunteer experience.

III. References

Please list 2 professional references, including at least one from a UAA faculty member or instructor who can attest to your abilities for the support of community engaged activities.

Name: ___________________________ Position/Title: _____________________________

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Please submit your completed application to:

Center for Community Engagement & Learning (CCEL) LIB 211N or uaa.ccel@alaska.edu