



Participating in civic impact initiatives allows you to influence the fabric of communities through civic engagement or provide vital social services to those in need. This includes careers in public and private education, experiential learning, social work, mentoring/counseling, youth development, and administration of organizations that provide these types of services. Professionals in these broad interdisciplinary fields are involved with developing, enacting, interpreting, or applying laws and policies at the local, state/regional, national or international levels. They may work for governmental agencies, departments, or elected officials; in not-for-profit or nongovernmental organizations (NGOs); or within business and industry, from small firms to major international corporations.

CAREER TRACK AT A GLANCE

CIVIC IMPACT

CLASSES

- **FIRST-YEAR** LJST-103-01 Legal Institutions and Democratic Practice, LJST-143-01 Law's History, POSC-109-01 Pandemic Politics: Democracy versus Disease, POSC-152-01 Guns in American Politics
- **SOPHOMORE** LJST-228-01 Police Power, LJST-231-01 Social Movements and Social Change, POSC-223-01 The Politics of Race in American Society, POSC-226-01 The Death of American Democracy
- **JUNIOR** POSC-313-01 Reading Politics, POSC-336-01 Markets and Democracy in Latin America, POSC-363-01 Geopolitics and American Foreign Policy, POSC-364-01 Political Geography: Southern Politics, POSC-380-01 Kremlin Rising: Russia's Foreign Policy in the 21st Century
- **SENIOR** POSC-407-01 Contemporary Debates: Gendering Populism

WORKSHOPS

For more details on workshops and initiatives you can participate in at Amherst College, schedule an appointment with the Government & Nonprofits Program Director, Micah Owino. If you wish to meet with an advisor schedule an appointment through [Handshake](#). If you have technical difficulties, please call the Loeb Center at 413-542-2265.

CONFERENCES

- National Conference on Citizenship
- SXSW Conference
- 2022 Civic Learning & Democratic Engagement Meeting (CLDE22)
- Imagining America National Conference

INTERNSHIPS

- The American Bar Association
- Transformative Justice Law Project
- The National Coalition on School Diversity
- Federal Reserve Bank of Boston
- Legal Aid Society of the District of Columbia
- West Side Campaign Against Hunger
- Legal Aid Society of New York
- Unify America
- Working Cities

POSSIBLE CAREER PATHS...

GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES

This section is vast — from local, state to federal government there are numerous opportunities. Specifically, in regards to the federal government, there are positions in virtually every field. Our government is the nation's largest employer and, with nearly two million civilian employees, chances are good there are jobs available that match your skills and interests. From biologists to statisticians, the range of professionals who work in federal agencies is expansive, and the government is looking for a diversity of talented and dedicated employees.

PLACES TO WORK:

- Department of Justice
- Department of Homeland Security
- Department of Health And Human Services
- Department of Transportation
- Department of Homeland Security

CAREERS:

- Transportation Security Officer (TSO)
- General Attorney Advisor
- Public Notice for Authorized Cybersecurity Positions
- Human resources Management

POTENTIAL SALARY RANGE:

\$30,000-\$135,000*

AFFILIATES WORKING FOR CIVIC ENGAGEMENT INITIATIVES

Civic engagement in the private sector seeks to cultivate a set of practices and strategies to involve community members in efforts that are trying to improve the health and well-being of communities. Often, these organizations use hands-on engagement with communities to strengthen the area's collective impact.

PLACES TO WORK:

- Center for Public Impact
- Abilities in Motion
- Camden House-Domestic Abuse Shelter and Services
- California Community Foundation

CAREERS:

- Public Notice for Authorized Cybersecurity Positions
- Certified Peer Specialist
- Chief Programs Officer
- Program Manager

POTENTIAL SALARY RANGE:

\$10,000-\$200,000*

*Please note the salary for each position depends on the mission you are deployed to, the organization that hired you, and most importantly, the type of contract you have.