

The skill and knowledge areas of greatest importance when hiring were oral communication, critical thinking, ethical judgment, working effectively in teams, working independently, self-motivation, written communication, and real-world application of skills and knowledge

Participation in applied and project-based learning experiences—particularly internships or apprenticeships—gives recent college graduates an edge.

3. <https://www.stmarys-ca.edu/catholic-institute-for-lasallian-social-action/public-service-internship-program-psi>

The Public Service Internship Program (PSI) is a credit-bearing learning experience coordinated by the Catholic Institute for Lasallian Social Action (CILSA) in collaboration with the Politics Department. PSI students are unpaid interns (8-10 hours/week for one semester) at Bay Area non-profits big and small, city governments, and any type of entity that would fall under the notion of "public service."

The internship also includes an academic component during which PSI interns explore together topics related to each student's field of study.

PSI interns earn community engagement (CE) credit, receive an upper-division course credit (POL 195), and receive a \$1,000 Educational Leadership Scholarship upon completion. For more information, contact Samantha Coon, Coordinator for Civic Leadership (smc6@stmarys-ca.edu] (925) 631-8168

