
Public Affairs

Career Information

University of Denver Career Center

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An Overview...

The interdisciplinary program in Public Affairs is designed to create an analytical focus on major social issues as they impact both public and private sectors. The student is required to have a double major in public affairs and another discipline offered by the college.

Skills:

Understanding of the structures, functions,
relationships of the public sector
Ability to adjust to change
Ability to work with people
Ability to research

Ability to clearly present ideas verbally
and in writing
Ability to persuade others
Ability to critically analyze

Some Professional Fields and Careers:

Case Worker
City Manager
Community Relations
Consumer advocate
Councils (Government)
District Advisor
Educator
Employee Relations
Field Representative
Foreign Service
Fundraising

International Relations
Investor Relations
Journalism
Labor Unions
Law
Legislature
Lobbyist
Media Relations
Parole Officer
Planning
Policy Analyst

Product Safety
Public Administration
Public Speaker
Recreation Supervisor
Research
Safety/Law Enforcement
Security Officer
Social Science
Social Worker
Special Events Manager
Welfare Director

Hiring Organizations:

Advocacy groups
Contracting/Consulting firms
Educational institutions
Foundations
Government agencies
Government departments
International organizations
Law firms

Magazines/Journals
Nonprofit organizations
Political action groups
Public relations firms
Research organizations
School districts
Trade/Professional organizations

Career Center Resources:

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Professional Organizations:

American League of Lobbyists
Patti Jo
Executive Director
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Alexandria, VA 22310
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www.alldc.org/
info@alldc.org

National Association of Counties
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Washington, DC 20001
(202) 393-6226 fax: (202)393-2630
<http://naco.org/>
info@naco.org

Public Affairs Council
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Washington, DC 20006
(202) 872-1790 fax: (202) 835-8343
www.pac.org
email: pac@pac.org

Public Relations Society of America
Public Affairs Section
33 Irving Place, 3rd Floor
New York, NY 10003-2376
(212) 995-2230 fax: (212) 995-0757
(800) WER-PRSA
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Job Titles and Employers of Undergraduate Public Affairs Major:

Job Title

Assistant to the Chief of Staff
Editor
Teaching Assistant
Compliance Coordinator

Employer

US Senator/Ben Nighthorse Campbell
Central American Report
Denver Academy
Community Health Plan of the Rockies