

Community Engagement Access Fund

Bellarmino University Center for Community Engagement

The Community Engagement Access Fund supports a stipend for students pursuing unpaid experiences in the nonprofit or government sector of Louisville or Southern Indiana and who demonstrate a financial need. Students can request funds during the fall, spring, or summer terms, which can be used to complete a practicum (30-hour) at \$9/hour, or an internship (90-hour) or co-op (180-hour) at \$12/hour. For more information on curricular community engagement, visit Bellarmine's [Center for Community Engagement website](#) (click "Additional Information for Students").

APPLICATION DEADLINES

Students must apply for funding by completing [this form](#) before the following deadlines:

- » Fall – August 1
- » Spring – December 1
- » Summer – May 1

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A committee will review applications and award recipients must meet with a member of the Career Development Center or the Center for Community Engagement to review the eligibility requirements and to connect with community partners in the student's social justice area of interest. Funds will be distributed on a first come, first-served basis.

Student eligibility requirements include:

- » Must pursue the experience for academic credit through your academic department to ensure accountability.
- » Verify experience by completing the Application and Proposal form in Handshake before the add/drop deadline each term.
- » Must complete the virtual Learn to Serve Orientation.
- » Must complete time cards to verify employment.

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