PhDanthropy
IU Lilly Family School of Philanthropy

ABOUT THE MAJOR

You will learn about philanthropy (altruistic giving and service) and nonprofit organization management in the local, national, and international arena. Philanthropy drives voluntary action for the public good in everything from education, health, and social services to the environment, animals, the arts, and religion. This major has the flexibility to allow for an outside minor or certificate in an area of interest to you, or one that will increase your marketability.

Skills and abilities this major develops includes: fund raising, strategic planning, and management.

OPPORTUNITIES AFTER GRADUATION

Career Opportunities

The most common entry level positions into philanthropic organizations are fundraisers and volunteer coordinators at nonprofit or social service agencies. According to the Bureau of Labor Statistics, employment of fundraisers will grow about 9% from 2014 to 2024. Experience in grant writing and nonprofit work will make for better job opportunities.

Salary Information

This major is a new program at IUPUI and does not yet have a critical mass of alumni to report valid starting salary information. According to the Bureau of Labor Statistics (2017), the average starting salary for fundraisers is about $29,000.

(This section is intended for informational purposes, not prediction of actual salary.)

Graduate & Professional School Paths

Philanthropy majors often pursue advanced degrees in the following areas: Public Administration (MPA), or Law.

Sample Coursework:

- Learning by giving
- Giving and volunteering in America
- Philanthropy, calling, and community
- Ethics and values in philanthropy
- Internship in philanthropic studies

Possible Careers:

- Foundation manager
- Nonprofit program manager
- Special events coordinator
- Volunteer coordinator
- Grants officer
- Fundraising specialist

Where Could I Work?

- Volunteers of America
- Social service agencies
- Arts organizations
- Hospitals and health clinics
- Nonprofit organizations

Complementing Interests:

Social Enterprising Conventional

Get your interest code at go.iupui.edu/interests

WHERE TO GET MORE INFORMATION

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