About the Major

Civic Leadership is one of IUPUI’s designated pre-law majors. Your coursework includes political science, law, public policy, leadership, ethics, and nonprofit organization. You can help run a city or state, turn community or political activism into a career, and make a difference in the place where you live. This major gives you the option to tailor electives to your specific interests, including politics, international affairs, or nonprofit management.

Skills and abilities this major develops includes: management, negotiation, strategic planning, and team building.

Opportunities after graduation

Career Opportunities

According to the Bureau of Labor Statistics, employment of urban and regional planners is expected to grow 6% from 2014 to 2024, about as fast as the average for all occupations. Employment is contingent on state and local government funding levels.

Salary Information

According to the Bureau of Labor Statistics (2016), the average salary in Indiana for urban and regional planners is $51,920. National median salaries for city managers are $168,140, and $52,000 for legislative researchers and analysts, according to BLS (2016).

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

Graduate & Professional School Paths

Civic Leadership majors often pursue advanced degrees in the following areas: Public Administration, Business Administration, Law, and Health Administration.

Where to Get More Information

School of Environmental and Public Affairs
801 W Michigan Street
spea.iupui.edu

American Planning Association
www.planning.org

SPEA Career Services
BS 3025
spea.iupui.edu/career-services

Sample Coursework:
- Political action and civic engagement
- Public management
- Law and public policy
- Intro to public affairs
- Urban structure and policy

Possible Careers:
- Attorney*
- Urban/regional planner
- City manager
- Fundraiser
- Legislative researcher/analyst
- Nonprofit program manager

* indicates career requires further education/training

Where Could I Work?

- City agencies
- State government
- Nonprofits
- Environmental agencies
- Federal government

Complementing Interests:

Enterprising Social Investigative

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

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