

## Undergraduate Minor in Community Organizing

## **Undergraduate Minor in Community Organizing at Hunter College**

This interdisciplinary 15-credit minor provides undergraduate students with the knowledge and skills to be effective organizers

## 3 core required courses – 9 credits:

SW 36000 Introduction to Community Organizing – Fall & Spring Semester (3 credits)
 Cross listed as SOC 23500, ANTHC 30350, COMHE 40050, SOSCI 39700, and URBS 40395.

This course provides an introduction to the theory and practice of community organizing. It explores diverse roles, goals, and strategies used by organizers and models of community organizing.

\*Requires a 20-hour volunteer field experience in a community-based organization

SW 46000 Advanced Community Organizing Theory and Practice – Spring Semester (3 credits)

This course deepens students' knowledge and skills in the theory and practice of CO. It provides an overview of historical and contemporary CO practices in the United States. It includes an analysis of power and oppression, and social movements, with special attention on low-income communities and communities of color. Skills are emphasized in community-based participatory research and coalition-building.

SW 37000 Community Organizing Internship and Field Seminar – Fall & Spring Semester (3 credits – 80 hours)

Students choose their organization from a vetted list of community-based organizations provided by the instructor. Students have the opportunity for self-reflection and to develop interpersonal, analytical, and administrative skills. Hands-on group facilitation and leadership development are emphasized.

\*This is a one semester, 80 hour supervised Field Internship and a bi-weekly CO seminar.

- Two 3 credit electives (6 credits) from an approved list of courses from these departments
  - Community Health
  - Urban Policy & Planning
  - Sociology
  - African & Puerto Rican/Latino Studies
- Anthropology
- Psychology
- Public Policy
- Film and Media Studies
- Welfare Rights Initiative
- History
- Political Science
- Women and Gender Studies
- Asian American Studies

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