

# Public Service Fellows

Integrating Training and Practice for Community Engagement in STEM

## PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

Public Service Fellows professional development program trains graduate students in STEM to integrate public service with scientific training.

The program builds foundational knowledge, skills, and practical experience in public service and community engagement. Graduate students from any STEM discipline will be able to incorporate issues of public concern into their career goals. This fellows program culminates in a practicum experience in one of four pathways, detailed below.

The Public Service Fellows Program consists of three semesters: (1) **learn** the fundamentals of public service and civic engagement in STEM, (2) **engage** in relationships & **prepare** materials, and (3) **implement** your learning in real-world community partnerships, mentored by WISCIENCE program directors.

In the implementation phase, Public Service Fellows complete a practicum with a community partner in one of 4 specialized pathways:

1

### Community-Engaged Teaching

Courses that connect learning in the classroom to issues of public concern. Includes two fellows teaching the Exploring Service in STEM course.

2

### Direct Service

Addresses immediate needs of individuals and communities, often working directly with community members. A common example is outreach.

3

### Policy & Governance

Encompasses policymaking, interacting with policymakers, governance processes, and nonprofit or advocacy work.

4

### Social Entrepreneurship

Includes corporate social responsibility and social innovation. Draws on ethical private sector approaches to effect social change.

**Apply by Wednesday, October 20, at 11:59 p.m.**

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