

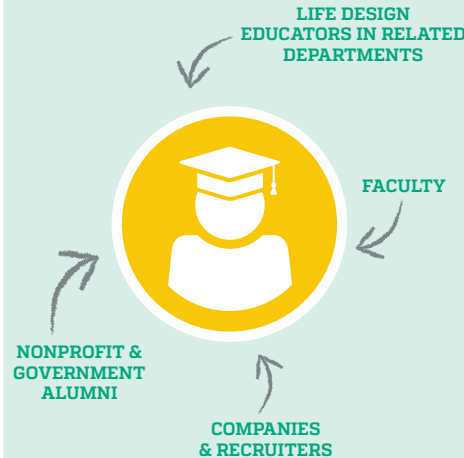
NONPROFIT & GOVERNMENT

Life Design Lab Academy Guide

The Nonprofit and Government Academy is for students **committed to issues including policy, security, environmental stewardship, and advocacy** through employment with the government or domestic/international nonprofits. This academy hosts multiple career events and a spring fair, and our network includes professionals from the CIA, Teach for America, Center for American Progress, United Way, think tanks, and more, and **helps students navigate complex but worthwhile paths to success.**

GET INVOLVED!

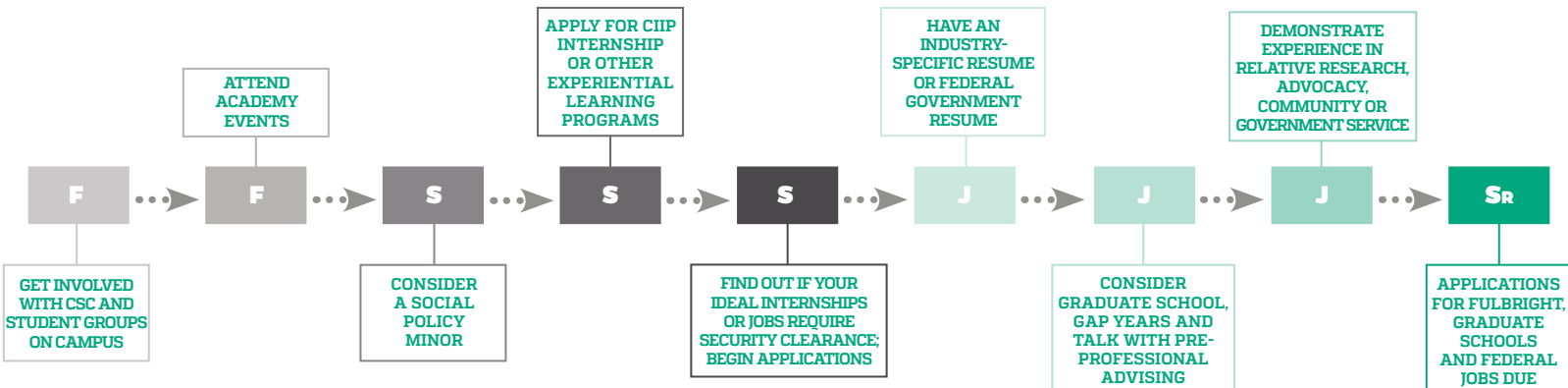
There are over 60 student groups connected to service in the Baltimore community and at JHU, including the JHU Student Government Association, Thread, Baltimore Bootup, Yo! Baltimore Tutoring, Jail Tutorial Project and more. Visit the Center for Social Concern (CSC) for more information.



HOW CAREER ACADEMIES WORK

Each academy has life design lab staffers dedicated to connecting students with top companies and industry-specific knowledge. They work with a community of employers, alumni, faculty and parents in the government or nonprofits who provide professional business insights and connections so you graduate “career ready” for your field. Choose this academy as a Career Interest in Handshake to get involved.

POSSIBLE FOUR-YEAR TIMELINE



FIRST YEAR SUGGESTIONS

Fall

- Attend first-year Launch sessions and office hours with Life Design Lab staff
- Participate in the President’s Day of Service
- Attend government academy events to learn about different pathways into careers *
- Apply for Alternative Break experiences through the Center for Social Concern
- Engage in local politics: become a poll worker, support a candidate, or participate in fundraisers and rallies

Spring

- Volunteer with the groups under the CSC, or find other opportunities through VolunteerMatch.org
- Research opportunities, career paths, and government information at Partnership for Public Service *
- Participate in Alternative Break Experience through CSC
- Consider involvement in Student Government, College Republicans, College Democrats, etc.
- Attend nonprofit academy events and fair to get connected and find internships †

LEGEND: * Government students † Nonprofit students

SECOND YEAR

Fall

- Use GoHopOnline to find five alumni for informational interviews and job shadowing
- Explore the Federal Government's Pathways Internship Program *
- Consider interest in Social Policy Minor
- Attend Intersession Abroad Fair and identify destination of interest
- Read the Nonprofit Times, Nonprofit Quarterly, Nonprofit Online News, and Chronicle of Philanthropy to keep up with key issues †

Spring

- Apply for Community Impact Internship Program (CIIP) in January
- Find out if internships or jobs that interest you require security clearance; begin applying one year before expected start
- Consider applying to Study Abroad
- Review GovLoop.com for career fairs and training *
- Discover opportunities for internships on Capitol Hill and in Annapolis by networking with communications staff/counsel to representatives

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

- *Association for Public Policy Analysis and Management*
- *Maryland Nonprofits*
- *National Council of Nonprofits*
- *Public Policy and International Affairs Fellowship Program*
- *Young Nonprofit Professionals Network*

JUNIOR YEAR

Fall

- Attend workshop on federal government resume writing *
- Have an industry-specific resume or federal government resume
- Consider joining at least one professional association aligned to your interests
- Demonstrate experience in relative research, advocacy, community or government service
- Explore whether you're interested in graduate or law school; visit Pre-Professional Advising
- Talk to Diplomat-in-Residence regarding Foreign Service Exam offered by the U.S. Department of State
- Apply for Federal Government Pathways Internships *
- Connect with the National Fellowships Program at JHU about Fulbright, Truman, and other fellowships

Spring

- Explore opportunities with professional associations including the Society for Nonprofits and Young Nonprofit Professionals Network †
- Research opportunities with The Washington Center, Teach for America, and Peace Corps †
- Sit for GRE/LSAT exam where appropriate
- Participate in CSC Intersession course and trip
- Participate in DC/Baltimore Policy Fellowship

SENIOR YEAR

Fall

- Attend alumni networking events to build a strong network for your job search
- Review and apply accordingly to government fall recruitment deadlines *
- If interested: apply to SAIS for MA programs
- Attend Idealist Grad School Fair in your home city or Baltimore
- Attend multiple career fairs and consider bridge year experiences
- Fulbright Online Application due

Spring

- Leverage online courses and resources from GovLoop.com or Partnership for Public Service
- Research and apply for positions on DotOrgJobs, Idealist.org, etc.
- Mentor incoming Nonprofit and Government students

