

# LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT, MINOR

Requirements for a minor may be completed at any campus location offering the specified courses for the minor. Students may not change from a campus that offers their major to a campus that does not offer their major for the purpose of completing a minor.

## Program Description

This minor is designed for students in any major of the University wanting to supplement their program with studies in leadership development. The minor consists of 18 credits, at least 3 of which are an internship experience. Up to 9 additional credits may be required depending on the student's selection of courses under "Additional Courses". This minor provides students with a fundamental concept of leadership development and expands in three related dimensions.

## What is Leadership Development?

The goal of the Leadership Development minor is to expand students' knowledge, skills, and understanding of specific leadership theories, concepts, models, and current leadership issues in applied settings. It is intended for students interested in a cross-disciplinary approach to gathering, interpreting, and applying knowledge about leaders and leadership practices. This minor teaches students the skills necessary to excel as leaders in their professions and help others accomplish their goals.

MORE INFORMATION ABOUT LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT (<https://agsci.psu.edu/academics/undergraduate/minors/leadership-development/>)

## You Might Like This Program If...

- You want to learn a variety of skills that allow you to lead teams, groups, and organizations.
- You are interested in how effective leadership skills and techniques can advance you and your organization.
- You seek to make change happen in your community and beyond.
- You want to pursue a career in your major and to gain the leadership skills that will allow you to advance in your career.

## Program Requirements

| Requirement                | Credits |
|----------------------------|---------|
| Requirements for the Minor | 18      |

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A grade of C or better is required for all courses in the minor, as specified by Senate Policy 59-10 (<https://senate.psu.edu/policies-and-rules-for-undergraduate-students/59-00-minors-and-certificates/#59-10>). In addition, at least six credits of the minor must be unique from the prescribed courses required by a student's major(s).

| Code  | Title                                   | Credits |
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| <b>Prescribed Courses</b>                                 |   |         |
| <i>Prescribed Courses: Require a grade of C or better</i> |   |         |
| AEE 360   | Leadership Development for Small Groups | 3       |
| AEE 460   | Foundations in Leadership Development   | 3       |
| AEE 495   | Internship                              | 3       |

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| AEE 465 | Leadership Practices: Power, Influences, and Impact | 3 |
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## Supporting Courses and Related Areas

*Supporting Courses and Related Areas: Require a grade of C or better*

Select 6 credits in consultation with an adviser from courses on the Department approved list that focus in one of three support areas: leadership styles, ethical and moral dimensions of leadership, or global leadership 6

## Academic Advising

The objectives of the university's academic advising program are to help advisees identify and achieve their academic goals, to promote their intellectual discovery, and to encourage students to take advantage of both in-and out-of class educational opportunities in order that they become self-directed learners and decision makers.

Both advisers and advisees share responsibility for making the advising relationship succeed. By encouraging their advisees to become engaged in their education, to meet their educational goals, and to develop the habit of learning, advisers assume a significant educational role. The advisee's unit of enrollment will provide each advisee with a primary academic adviser, the information needed to plan the chosen program of study, and referrals to other specialized resources.

READ SENATE POLICY 32-00: ADVISING POLICY (<https://senate.psu.edu/policies-and-rules-for-undergraduate-students/32-00-advising-policy/>)

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## Career Paths

Leadership Development minor students can attain the skills and knowledge necessary to drive change within their organizations, communities, and governments. Faculty and professional academic advisers in the Leadership Development program support and serve students in career decision-making, tailoring the minor to fit students' career goals, internship and job search strategies, interview preparation, and preparing for employment or graduate school. With a Leadership Development minor, you can be prepared for a career in your major and have the leadership skills to advance in your career. A minor in Leadership Development can lead to, and support, advanced degrees in all areas.

MORE INFORMATION ABOUT POTENTIAL CAREER OPTIONS FOR GRADUATES WITH A MINOR IN LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT (<https://agsci.psu.edu/academics/undergraduate/minors/leadership-development/>)

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