

Gabelli 2013 - Junior Advising Program

Pursuing a Volunteer Experience



A great way to add some experience to your resume, while accomplishing something good and productive for others at the same time, is to pursue a service/volunteer opportunity. Oftentimes, these organizations will have you performing a greater variety of tasks than what might be possible in a traditional internship setting, so you may have the chance to gain more through these prospects than other options. Further, few graduating seniors are able to distinguish themselves through service, so it's always beneficial to resume. And besides, this may be one of the last few times that you'll have a lot of time to devote to such an activity, because once you start working full time, your free time starts to evaporate.

Some great places to find volunteer opportunities are:

- Volunteer Match - <http://www.volunteermatch.org/>
- Idealist.org - <http://www.idealist.org/if/as/vol/>
- Serve.gov - <http://www.serve.gov/>
- Volunteer.gov - <http://www.volunteer.gov/gov/>

As Fordham students, you may also want to consider using the summer after your Junior year to work on your application for service organizations after you graduate, such as:

- Teach for America (<http://www.teachforamerica.org/>),
- The Jesuit Volunteer Corps (<http://www.jesuitvolunteers.org/>)
- AmeriCorps (<http://www.americorps.gov/>)
- The Peace Corps (<http://www.peacecorps.gov/>)

For more information on this topic, feel free to visit Fordham's Community Service office, The Dorothy Day Center for Service and Justice, in McGinley 101 or online at: www.fordham.edu/comm_serv

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