



Elizabethtown College

Social Change Leadership

What is Social Change Leadership?

Social change leadership focuses on working for the greater good by creating systemic change. Approaches taken by social change leaders include community development, community organizing, conflict transformation and peacemaking, and social entrepreneurship.

Lifestyle and Work-Life Balance

Generally, the lifestyle is one of focus, satisfaction, and a sense of impact. Work hours vary depending on the organization and the sector of the economy. The ability to deal with deadlines and stressful situations can be helpful, given the cutting-edge nature of much of this work.

Relevant Academic Majors and Minors

Nearly any academic major or minor. Specific education related to key social, community, economic, or environmental issues is a valuable asset. Relevant majors include Business Administration, Political Science, Sociology-Anthropology, Psychology, Religious Studies, Social Work, Environmental Science, Biology, and Chemistry.

Relevant Co-Curricular Experiences

Internships and summer employment with non-profits, small businesses, and large businesses; study abroad, social enterprise club, community service work study, leadership in campus organizations, participation and leadership in organizations in the wider community, service trips.

Jobs and Careers in Social Change Leadership

People engaged in social change leadership work as directors, program managers, coordinators, grant writers, legal advisors, and executives. Recent trends have led to the development of a wide variety of different types of organizations that are committed to working to improve human and environmental well-being, including non-profits, community organizations, impact investors, benefit corporations, and social enterprises. This work happens locally, nationally, and internationally.

Blue Jay Flight Plans are specific plans for purposeful and meaningful work and service beyond Elizabethtown College. They are designed for students engaged in a variety of academic majors, and work in combination with particular minors, courses and co-curricular activities to help make your noble purpose and meaningful life work a reality upon graduation.

- *Coaching and mentoring are provided to create your Blue Jay Flight Plan.*
- *Support is available for developing a specialized Blue Jay Flight Plan.*
- *Opportunities are offered to connect with others who have similar goals and interests.*