



Public, Social and Human Services

Those interested in Public, Social and Human Services are agents of change, and seek to enrich the lives of people around the world through direct service work and philanthropy. From policymaking and social work, to education, fundraising, and political and community engagement, jobs in this industry focus on making lasting impacts for communities locally, nationally and around the world.

Tips for success

- **Develop transferable skills:** Many professionals in the public, social and human services industry must be able to successfully do a variety of jobs within an organization.
- **Consider your passion:** Find organizations whose missions align with your values, and pursue opportunities to demonstrate your commitment to this type of work.

Professional Associations

There are several local and national professional associations connected to this career field. Joining a professional association will help you network with professionals already in your field of interest, as well as expose you to new opportunities you may not have considered.

- **American Mental Health Counselors Association**
- **Association of Outdoor Recreation and Education**
- **International Association of Emergency Managers**
- **National Organization for Human Services**
- **The Tourism Society**

Possible areas of employment

Advocacy
Community Engagement
Grant Writing
Intelligence/Counterterrorism
International Relations/Development
Lobbying
National/ International Service
Outdoor Recreation/Education
Paralegal
Political Campaigns
Public Policy
Social Work
Volunteer Management

Top desired skills

Oral and Written Communication
Intercultural Fluency
Teamwork and Collaboration
Empathy and Active Listening