Welcome to the School of Human Resources & Labor Relations (SHRLR). This handbook outlines the degree requirements for students who have declared their major in Human Capital & Society. It summarizes and explains departmental requirements, policies, and resources.

The human capital & society major in the School of Human Resource and Labor Relations prepares students for a wide range of professional careers focusing on employment and workplace strategies that shape the future of work in business, government, healthcare, education, labor organizations and other not-for-profit organizations. This major also prepares students for a variety of graduate programs, especially our top-ranked *Master of Human Resources & Labor Relations* degree at MSU.

We are confident that you will find the human capital & society major interesting, challenging, and very beneficial to you in your career. Offering a comprehensive understanding of human capital in a global society, students develop critical thinking skills and learn essential problem-solving, social, emotional and entrepreneurial skills for advancing the well-being and success of working people, organizations and communities worldwide.

**Background: School of Human Resources & Labor Relations**

In 1956, Michigan State University established the Labor Relations Center with the twin aims of conducting research in labor and industrial relations and of providing non-credit, non-degree continuing education for trade union leaders and members and for management practitioners in labor relations and human resources. In 1962, the Center became the School of Labor and Industrial Relations (SLIR), a unit located in the newly formed College of Social Science, and was given responsibility for developing an academic degree program. The resulting Master of Labor and Industrial Relations (MLIR) program began its operations in the fall of 1965.

In 1968, the School began to offer the Interdisciplinary Ph.D. in Social Science program with a Concentration in Industrial Relations and Human Resources. Beginning in 2004, this degree program became a PhD in Human Resources and Labor Relations. Also, in 2011, the school changed its name to the School of Human Resources and Labor Relations. The school launched the human capital & society undergraduate major in Fall 2017 and celebrated our first graduates in May 2018.

Over 2,000 men and women have graduated from the MHRLR program, with the great majority finding professional employment in the human resources and labor relations fields. Over 40 individuals have graduated from the Ph.D. program, and almost all have found employment as faculty members in colleges and universities in the United States or abroad. Contact information for current faculty can be found in the Appendix of this manual, and a faculty directory is available at [https://hrlr.msu.edu/directory/faculty/index.html](https://hrlr.msu.edu/directory/faculty/index.html).

**A Diverse Community in SHRLR**

We are a diverse community. Among the faculty, we have academic faculty who teach in the HCS, MHRLR and Ph.D. degree programs who hold PhD's in business, human resource management, industrial relations, economics, and related fields, as well as outreach professors who provide professional and technical training to management and labor leaders. Among the students, we have people interested in building positive workplace environment, fostering diversity and inclusion, collaborating and resolving problems, negotiating agreement and planning and managing projects. We come from a wide variety of backgrounds. The diversity of the SHRLR community provides great opportunities for us to learn from one another. It also brings the responsibility for all of us to become and remain more sensitive and tolerant of others.
The Educational Process

You will encounter many avenues for learning while in the School of Human Resources & Labor Relations, including formal course work and informal interactions with faculty and students. In your classes, you will encounter a mixture of lectures, reading assignments, discussions, role-play exercises, field investigations, guest speakers, short papers, term papers, exams, computer exercises, group projects, and other activities that have been selected to prepare you to be a highly competent professional in the field.

The quality of your educational experience in the HCS program will be determined primarily by your own effort and commitment to learning. The educational process will bring many opportunities for personal and professional development. In addition, the many educational approaches should assure variety as you go through the program. There are, however, several responsibilities associated with this varied educational process. The first is that you take it seriously, for your own sake and for the sake of others in the major. Second, you will have a great deal of autonomy in choosing courses and in determining the amount of effort you will devote to readings, assignments, class discussion, and other activities. Make wise choices to gain the most from your education.

Student Advising

Advising within the School of HRLR is done by appointment only. The appointments are scheduled online using the Student Information System at https://student.msu.edu/splash.html. Walk-ins are only scheduled during busy enrollment times, for example, at the start of fall/spring semesters. Walk-in hours will be posted on the Dashboard Scheduling system. Advising takes place on the 4th floor of South Kedzie Hall. It is encouraged that you view your current degree progress by accessing MSU’s online degree tracking tool prior to your advising appointment. Degree Navigator is a flexible, undergraduate advising and degree-audit tool. It helps you and your advisor work together to manage your degree progress. https://degnav.msu.edu/

Advising of undergraduate students is provided by the SHRLR Undergraduate Advisor Matt Hahnenberg, hahnenb2@msu.edu.

Please see the Human Capital & Society advisor to discuss or review the following:

- BA Human Capital/Society Major, additional major, second degrees, Leadership of Organizations Minor
- Planning course schedules
- Adding, dropping, or changing a major or degree
- Undergraduate opportunities
- Progress in meeting requirements and potential graduation dates

The department recommends you take advantage of all the services the university and college provide you to keep track of your degree requirements and to monitor your academic progress.

Department Website https://hrlr.msu.edu/degrees/hcs/index.html
We highly recommend that you bookmark this page and visit often. Hopefully, answers to many of your questions can be found here.

When to See an Advisor
Your advisor is here to help answer questions – although the primary focus is on departmental academics, your advisor can field many questions you have about MSU.

Expectations
It is your responsibility to become familiar with your graduation requirements. Your advisor is here to provide information and insight, to answer questions and give guidance, but your degree is ultimately your
responsibility. Please make use of the many resources available to you to ensure that you get the most out of your time at MSU.

You should meet with an advisor at least twice a year to plan your schedule for the following academic year. Enrollment usually begins in early April, so it is recommended that you schedule an appointment early in the Spring semester (February). It is often a good idea to meet with an advisor to discuss dropping or adding classes, study abroad programs, graduate school, internships and career options. You are required to meet with your advisor in the semester prior to graduation to ensure that you have met all the necessary requirements.

Here are some responses to commonly asked questions:

**What are the prerequisites for a class?**
Check out the Schedule of Courses ([https://schedule.msu.edu/](https://schedule.msu.edu/)) or the Description of Courses ([https://reg.msu.edu/Courses/Search.aspx](https://reg.msu.edu/Courses/Search.aspx)) for information on classes, including prerequisites, restrictions, descriptions, and semester offerings.

**Can I get a minor?**
If your primary major is within the Social Science College, you are required to complete a pre-approved college minor to help satisfy college requirements. To see more information about minors, please refer to page 10 of this handbook. If you would like to complete an additional minor, you will have to ask your advisor or call the department in which you are interested. You can also complete an additional major (in most cases, you will still only need 120/123 credits to graduate) or a second degree (150/153 credits to graduate in most cases). It is a good idea to visit an academic advisor in the major you are considering to determine what courses you would need to complete a minor, additional major, or second degree.

**How do I change my major?**
A major change into the College of Social Science can be made at any point by meeting with your social science academic advisor. To contact an advisor from the social science college, please visit [https://socialscience.msu.edu/undergraduate/current-students/advising-affairs.html](https://socialscience.msu.edu/undergraduate/current-students/advising-affairs.html) or schedule an appointment [https://student.msu.edu/splash.html](https://student.msu.edu/splash.html).

If you want to change to Exploratory preference, Prenursing, or Prevet and have 55 or fewer credits, you can use the following link to request a major change: [https://nssc.msu.edu/academicadvising/index.html](https://nssc.msu.edu/academicadvising/index.html), or you can meet with a Neighborhood advisor. (Students with a major in James Madison, Lyman Briggs or the Residential College in the Arts and Humanities must complete an exit interview/survey with their college prior to submitting a major change request.)

**How and when do I apply for graduation?**
There is an online graduation application on the Registrar’s website ([https://reg.msu.edu/StuForms/GradApp/gradapp.aspx](https://reg.msu.edu/StuForms/GradApp/gradapp.aspx)). Fall Semester graduates need to apply to graduate by the end of the first week of Fall Semester, and Spring and Summer graduates need to apply to graduate by the end of the first week of Spring Semester.

**Can I take classes at another school to meet my MSU requirements?**
Yes. Check out the Transfer Credit Equivalency System ([https://transfer.msu.edu/](https://transfer.msu.edu/)) to see how courses from different schools transfer back to Michigan State. Once you have earned 56 credits (at MSU or anywhere else) you can no longer transfer credit from a community college - it must come from an accredited, 4-year institution. However, if you need to complete a certain requirement (for example, statistics) you can complete it at a community college and waive the statistics requirement at MSU. That is, you will waive the stats requirement at MSU, but you will not receive the credits from that statistics course to count towards graduation requirements.
Graduation Requirements

For most current University Requirements:
https://reg.msu.edu/AcademicPrograms/Print.aspx?Section=282

For most current College of Social Science Requirements (Human Capital & Society only has a BA option): https://reg.msu.edu/AcademicPrograms/Text.aspx?Section=129#s2534
http://socialscience.msu.edu/students/overview/curriculum/

Human Capital & Society Major Requirements:
https://reg.msu.edu/AcademicPrograms/ProgramDetail.aspx?Program=7764

Leadership of Organizations Minor
The School of HRLR also offers a minor titled “Leadership of Organizations.” This minor also serves as an approved college minor to satisfy the College of Social Science Minor requirement:
https://reg.msu.edu/AcademicPrograms/ProgramDetail.aspx?Program=7755

To view any and all undergraduate education policies, please refer to:
https://reg.msu.edu/AcademicPrograms/Print.aspx?Section=110

You can view a sample four-year academic progress plan for the HCS major at:

University Requirements

Writing Requirement
The Tier I writing requirement is fulfilled by successful completion of WRA 101 or 195H. The Tier II portion of your writing requirement is fulfilled by the completion of a designated 300-400 level course in your major. These course titles are followed by a “W”.

Mathematics Requirement
The highest math that the Human Capital & Society Major requires is STT 200/201. The most common courses students will complete to satisfy the university math requirement for the HCS Major is MTH 101 OR MTH 102 AND STT 200/201. As stated in Academic Programs, the completion of STT 200/201 may also satisfy the University mathematics requirement or the science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) requirement in the College, but not both. Please consult your academic advisor if you have questions about alternative options to satisfy university math and the STEM college requirement.

Integrative Studies Requirement
The Integrative Studies requirement includes the completion of coursework in the Arts & Humanities, the Social Sciences, and the Biological and Physical Sciences.

Integrated Studies in Arts and Humanities: 8 credits
IAH 201-210 (4 credits)
IAH 211+ (4 credits)

Integrated Studies in Social Science: 8 credits
ISS 2XX (4 credits)
ISS 3XX (4 credits)

Integrated Studies in Biological and Physical Sciences: 8 credits
ISB 2XX (3 credits)
ISP 2XX (3 credits)
2 Credits of ISB/ISP Lab
Integrative Studies courses must include at least two courses in National, International, and Diversity from the following combinations: N&I; N&D; or I&D. The letter will be found after the IAH/ISS course title.

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Degree Requirements

I. **Required Courses**: (18 credits):

- HRLR 201 Human Capital and Society (fall/spring) 3 credits
- HRLR 313 Employment Relations (201 or concurrently, spring only) 3 credits
- HRLR 314 Legal Environment of Work (201 or concurrently, fall only) 3 credits
- HRLR 315 Research Methods & Analysis (STT, fall/spring) 3 credits
- HRLR 410 Voice & Democracy at Work (201, 313 or 314, fall/spring) 3 credits
- HRLR 465 Capstone in HCS (all above/410 or concurrently, fall/spring) 3 credits

**Other Required Courses:**

One of the following courses (3 or 4 credits): STT 200/201, PSY 295, STT 315, STT 421, GEO 363

One of the following courses (3 credits): EC 201 or EC 202

II. **HRLR Electives**: total of 12 credits (4 courses) required, including at least one from each category (General, Human Capital Systems, International)

**General:**

- CEP 460 Communication Skill Training Helping Professional (junior/senior) 3 credits
- HRLR 211 Introduction to Organizational Leadership (every semester) 3 credits
- HRLR 212 Career Management (summer only) 3 credits
- HRLR 311 Applied Organizational Leadership (211, every semester) 3 credits
- *SSC 493/494/496/490 – Internship/Research/Field Study Abroad/Special Topics 3 credits

**Human Capital Systems:**

- CEP 470 Disability in a Diverse Society (junior/senior standing) 3 credits
- HRLR 316 Economics of Human Capital (EC 201 or 202, fall only) 3 credits
- HRLR 401 Income Inequality (201, spring only) 3 credits
- MGT 411 Organizational Staffing (201, junior/senior standing) 3 credits

**International:**

- HRLR 414 Legal Standards in a Global Workplace (314 spring only) 3 credits
- HRLR 420 Comparative Human Capital Systems (313, fall only) 3 credits
- *SSC 49x courses require approval of Academic Advisor

III. **Cognate Electives**: total of 6 credits (2 courses) from the following list:
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<td>ANP 220</td>
<td>Gender Relations in Comparative Perspective</td>
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<td>Race, Ethnicity, and Nation</td>
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<td>Survey of International Economics (EC 201 &amp; 202)</td>
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<td>U.S. Business and Economic History</td>
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<td>HST 225</td>
<td>Law, History and Society in the United States</td>
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<td>HST 305</td>
<td>The Making of the Modern United States</td>
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<td>HDFS 442</td>
<td>Ethnic Families in America (<em>juniors/seniors</em>)</td>
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<td>PSY 255</td>
<td>Industrial and Organizational Psychology (PSY 101)</td>
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<td>Social Inequality</td>
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<td>SOC 424</td>
<td>Organizations and Society</td>
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<td>SOC 481</td>
<td>Social Movements and Collective Identities (no freshmen)</td>
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IV. **College Requirements:** Complete a minimum of 15 credits in one Interdisciplinary Minor from the following list: [https://socialscience.msu.edu/undergraduate/minors.html](https://socialscience.msu.edu/undergraduate/minors.html)

*If selecting The Leadership of Organizations Minor, ONLY 1 major course (HRLR 211) will be allowed to double count between The Human Capital & Society Major & The Leadership of Organizations Minor.*

Additionally, student must complete an experiential learning requirement and a minimum of 6 credits in Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics courses. To see all approved STEM courses, refer to this website: [https://socialscience.msu.edu/_assets/pdfs/STEM%202019.pdf](https://socialscience.msu.edu/_assets/pdfs/STEM%202019.pdf)

**Experiential Learning for Credit**

**Resource:** Center for Service-Learning and Civic Engagement
(353-4400) in 207 Student Services Building coordinates the matching of the needs of the community and the volunteer services of MSU students. A wide range of possible placements allows the student to use his/her skills in a productive “real world” experience. [www.servicelearning.msu.edu](http://www.servicelearning.msu.edu)

**College of Social Science Internship, SSC 493 (3-12 cr.)**
Internships are offered through the College of Social Science in various areas of interest, depending on your career goals. Call 517-432-4541, located in 221 Berkey Hall, [https://socialscience.msu.edu/undergraduate/experiential-learning/index.html](https://socialscience.msu.edu/undergraduate/experiential-learning/index.html)
Internships: [https://socialscience.msu.edu/undergraduate/experiential-learning/internships.html](https://socialscience.msu.edu/undergraduate/experiential-learning/internships.html)
Study Away: [https://socialscience.msu.edu/undergraduate/experiential-learning/study-away.html](https://socialscience.msu.edu/undergraduate/experiential-learning/study-away.html)
Study Abroad: [https://socialscience.msu.edu/undergraduate/experiential-learning/study-abroad.html](https://socialscience.msu.edu/undergraduate/experiential-learning/study-abroad.html)

**Study Abroad**
Study abroad is another way to look at the world differently. This can benefit your career, your degree, and in many cases, you personally. When students study abroad they choose to step outside of what they “know” and expose themselves to new thoughts, ideas and cultures. For more information on programs, please visit the following site: [http://educationabroad.isp.msu.edu/](http://educationabroad.isp.msu.edu/).
You may also find this resource helpful if you are looking for courses that will count in your social science college degree: [http://www.socialscience.msu.edu/students/experiential-learning/study-abroad/](http://www.socialscience.msu.edu/students/experiential-learning/study-abroad/)

**SSC 494: Undergraduate Research Social Science**
Earn 1-6 credits through research with a professor. To explore this option for experiential learning, speak with your academic advisor for faculty interested in supervising undergraduate research after reviewing HRLR faculty profiles at [https://hrlr.msu.edu/faculty/profiles.php#WywAd4onbAU](https://hrlr.msu.edu/faculty/profiles.php#WywAd4onbAU).

**College Restrictions on Experiential Learning**
The total of independent study, practicum, internship, and field experience credits may not exceed 20 credits combined. If you have questions, contact the HCS Major Advisor.
- A maximum of 12 credits of independent study may be applied toward the degree.
- A maximum of 12 credits in internship, field experience, and practicum courses combined may be applied toward the degree.

In most cases, experiential learning can count towards degree requirements. Please consult the HCS Academic Advisor to create an academic plan.
Degree Enhancements

MSU offers a number of degree enhancements that may be used to complement or extend academic interest. Students should contact the department or office that sponsors the degree enhancement to inquire about specific requirements or formally add it to their primary degree.

Primary Major
The Human Capital & Society primary majors require a minimum of 36 credits. Student must graduate with ~120 total credits.

Second Degree
Second degrees require ~150 total credits. With this option, students earn a second diploma.

Additional Major
Generally, additional majors require 30-45 additional credits. Students must complete a minimum of ~120 total credits. This major is transcriptable and does not result in a second diploma.

Minor
The College of Social Science requires completion of a minor for graduation. Currently, the School of Human Resources & Labor Relations offers a Minor titled “Leadership of Organizations”. Most minors require a minimum of 15 credits. For a list of approved minors to count towards the social science college requirements, please see https://socialscience.msu.edu/undergraduate/minors.html
For the official listing of all available minors at the University, please see https://reg.msu.edu/academicprograms/Programs.asp?PType=MNUN

Scholarships
College of Social Science Scholarships: http://socialscience.msu.edu/students/social-science-undergraduates/scholarships-awards-and-funded-research-opportunities/

SHRLR Undergraduate Scholars Program

The SHRLR Scholars program provides exceptional students in the human capital & society major with opportunities for educational and professional development. This select group of students chosen in the spring semester of each year will have enhanced access to internships, research and service learning opportunities, as well as professional development activities throughout the academic year. These opportunities will supplement the research opportunities and career-preparation workshops which will be available to all undergraduate students. For more information, see https://hrlr.msu.edu/degrees/hcs/scholars.html.

Criteria

Students who have declared their major as human capital and society (HCS) in the School of Human Resources and Labor Relations with at least a sophomore status can apply for the SHRLR Undergraduate Scholars program. In selecting among eligible students, consideration will be given to overall academic performance as evidenced by:

Any student with a minimum overall GPA of 3.0 or higher may apply. Consideration of additional factors will influence selection, including GPA in the HCS major, academic research experience, work experience (particularly while enrolled at MSU and in related fields such as human resources, administrative positions in a business-related or non-profit organization), leadership in student and community organizations, contributions to a diverse educational community, first generation college students, and record of overcoming obstacles.
Students who fail to remain in good academic standing will be subject to removal from the program. Selection will be conducted by a subcommittee of the SHRLR Faculty undergraduate committee.

**Benefits of Participation in Scholars Program**

- **Dennis Liberson and Tracey Neumann Liberson Study Abroad Scholarship**: awarded annually to current HCS Scholars who participate in a study abroad experience.
- **Access to Internships**: Internship (summer and semester) and full time work opportunities will be presented to scholars, including opportunities made available by SHRLR alumni and advisory board members.
- **Mentors**: Scholars will have access to volunteer mentors from the SHRLR master’s program, for the spring semester of each year, based on availability.
- **Research Opportunities**: Scholars will have priority in consideration for any available research positions (paid or for credit) with SHRLR’s faculty in areas such as strategic human resource management, organizational behavior, employment relations, leadership, and employment law. Faculty can identify potential research assistants through their designation as a scholar, but can still utilize other undergraduate students of their choosing for appropriate research opportunities.
- **Undergrad Learning Assistantships**: Scholars will have priority consideration for any available undergraduate learning assistant and tutor positions for undergraduate classes taught by SHRLR faculty.
- **Professional Activities**: Scholars will be invited to participate in career development activities including speakers from various professions related to the major, resume and interview preparation, career exploration, and contact with SHRLR alumni.
- **Service Learning**: Scholars will be provided with access to various community organizations with which the scholar can volunteer in various areas of interest to them while providing a significant service to our community.
- **As Alumni**: Scholars will be expected to act as mentors and seek to provide other opportunities (internships, etc.) to future scholars.

SHRLR accepts applications for each new year of Scholars in December.

**Internship and Job Search Activities**

Employers seeking to hire HCS graduates consider employment in the field highly desirable for several reasons. First, it helps students determine more clearly their special areas of interest and skill. This provides insights useful in the selection of elective courses in their degree programs, as well as an improved focus on their career goals, which assists the search for a full-time job. Second, learning about the practical realities of the work site enables students to better identify the type of work environment and company culture that best fits them. Third, employment provides an opportunity to see the actual applications of their course work. Finally, students develop greater self-confidence in their ability to do the work required in their chosen profession.

Employment experience in the field may be acquired in a variety of ways ranging from full-time, formal internships typically available in the summer, to part-time positions working ten or more hours a week for one semester while taking classes during the academic year. Students should keep in mind that the primary purpose of the internship is to gain valuable experience.

Information about private and public sector internships and part-time employment opportunities are available from a variety of sources. These sources include the MSU Career Services Network, selected faculty members in the academic program, the Labor Education Program, the Human Resources Executive Education, and the SHRLR Alumni Association. Notices of internship and job opportunities are emailed regularly to HRLR students, on Handshake and some full-time positions are posted on our alumni network on LinkedIn. [https://careernetwork.msu.edu/](https://careernetwork.msu.edu/)
MSU Career Services Network provides a number of resources – make sure to utilize them!

MSU Career Services Network is an interconnected system of career services units comprised of college-based offices and all-campus centers. The Career Network helps students to identify career options, design their personal career plan, develop job/internship search strategies, and plan for graduate school. [https://careernetwork.msu.edu/](https://careernetwork.msu.edu/)

MSU Handshake (jobs + internships): [http://careernetwork.msu.edu/services-locations/handshake/handshake-student-info.html](http://careernetwork.msu.edu/services-locations/handshake/handshake-student-info.html)

Career Advising: [http://careernetwork.msu.edu/services-locations/career-advising.html](http://careernetwork.msu.edu/services-locations/career-advising.html)

Career Advising Drop-in Hours: [http://careernetwork.msu.edu/services-locations/career-advising-drop-in-hours.html](http://careernetwork.msu.edu/services-locations/career-advising-drop-in-hours.html)


Career Workshops: [http://careernetwork.msu.edu/resources-tools/workshops.html](http://careernetwork.msu.edu/resources-tools/workshops.html)

Overall, formal responsibility for assisting in the placement of University graduates rests with the all-University Career Services Network and the School of Human Resources & Labor Relations’ Career Development and Placement Office. Many employers come to the Career Services Network and the Career Development and Placement Office each semester during the academic year to recruit students for work in human resource management and labor and industrial relations. Career Services Network schedules student interviews with recruiters and Career Development and Placement Office provides a variety of services such as workshops on resume writing and interviewing. Interviewing schedules are available through the online Handshake system. It is important that you register on Handshake as soon as possible to ensure your ability to interview for internships and full-time job opportunities. You will also need to keep your Handshake profile updated, as your profile will determine which job postings you are eligible to interview for. The link is as follows: [https://careernetwork.msu.edu/services-locations/handshake/handshake-student-info.html](https://careernetwork.msu.edu/services-locations/handshake/handshake-student-info.html)

Because information is posted on Handshake on a regular basis, students are strongly encouraged to check the Handshake interview and information schedule regularly. Career Development and Placement Office is available to advise students on interview skills, designs of personal resumes, and other aspects of the job search. In addition, the School runs occasional job hunting seminars and facilitates informal student-SHRLR alumni workshops.

**Career Development Center** (355-9510) located in 113 Student Services Building provides services for all majors, specializing in self-assessment tools and the early stages of career exploration.

**Field Career Consultant for the College Of Social Science** - Amy Deitrickson ([deitric4@msu.edu](mailto:deitric4@msu.edu)) and Samantha Jackson ([sljack@msu.edu](mailto:sljack@msu.edu)) are located in Berkey Hall to provide advanced job search planning assistance, customized programming, and industry/profession specific resources for social science majors. For more information about the Career Network’s general services, upcoming workshops and events, or to schedule a career advising appointment, go to [https://careernetwork.msu.edu/](https://careernetwork.msu.edu/).
Academic Honesty and Integrity

Academic honesty and integrity are essential to the success of any graduate program. All students and faculty within the School are required to exhibit the principles of academic honesty and integrity as set forth by University policy. Academic dishonesty on written work will not be tolerated. Academic dishonesty takes multiple forms including plagiarism, cheating, affiliation of dishonesty in other students (e.g., allowing another student to copy your work), and academic sabotage. These types of academic dishonesty are completely contrary to all of the values reflected in the field of human resource management and industrial relations. SHRM has a zero tolerance for academic dishonesty in any form.

Students may review the complete MSU integrity policy, MSU Policies, Regulations and Ordinances Regarding Academic Honesty and Integrity at [https://deanofstudents.msu.edu/academic-integrity-resources-students](https://deanofstudents.msu.edu/academic-integrity-resources-students)

Key Principles MSU's Integrity Policy:

1. All academic work will be done by the student to whom it is assigned, without unauthorized aid of any kind. Instructors, for their part, will exercise care in the planning and supervision of academic work, so that honest effort will be positively encouraged. For additional information refer to: [https://ombud.msu.edu/academic-integrity/Academic%20Integrity%20at%20MSU.pdf](https://ombud.msu.edu/academic-integrity/Academic%20Integrity%20at%20MSU.pdf)

2. If any instance of academic dishonesty is discovered by an instructor, it is his or her responsibility to take appropriate action. Depending on his or her judgment of the particular case, he or she may give a failing grade to the student on the assignment or for the course.

3. In instances where a failing grade in a course is given only for academic dishonesty, the instructor will notify the student and SHRLR's Associate Director for Undergraduate Programs in writing of the circumstances.

4. The student who receives a failing grade on an assignment or course based on a charge of academic dishonesty may appeal that decision by an instructor by contacting the Associate Director for Undergraduate Programs.

5. When in the judgment of the instructor and the Associate Director for Undergraduate Programs a failing grade is warranted, the student may contact the Director for reconsideration of that decision.

6. To appeal any decision regarding a grade reduction due to academic dishonesty, a student can file a grievance under the procedures found here: [http://splife.studentlife.msu.edu/student-rights-and-responsibilities-at-michigan-state-university/article-7-adjudication-of-academic-cases](http://splife.studentlife.msu.edu/student-rights-and-responsibilities-at-michigan-state-university/article-7-adjudication-of-academic-cases).

7. A student may always contact the University Ombudsperson regarding their rights as a student in issues of academic dishonesty.

Students and faculty are also required to exhibit integrity in research and creative activities. Integrity in research and creative activities embodies a range of practices that include:

- Honesty in proposing, performing, and reporting research;
- Recognition of prior work;
- Confidentiality in peer review;
- Disclosure of potential conflicts of interest;
- Compliance with institutional and sponsor requirements;
- Protection of human subjects in the conduct of research;
• Collegiality in scholarly interactions and sharing of resources

Students who violate any practices of professional integrity will be evaluated on a case-by-case basis and may be removed from the MHRLR program. If you are not certain what academic honesty and integrity entails, contact the appropriate faculty member or the Associate Director to discuss your concerns.

Sanctions

Sanctions for academic dishonesty include, but are not limited to, one or more of the following, and may, but need not, involve suspension or expulsion:

• A grade of F for the assignment.
• A grade of F for the course; recording in student file.
• Disciplinary probation.
• Permanent expulsion from the University with a permanent notation of disciplinary expulsion on the student’s transcript.

Faculty are required to report academic dishonesty to the School’s Academic director and typically involves the School’s Director as well in determining the sanctions. If a penalty grade is given, the instructor must complete and submit an Academic Dishonesty Report. The report will be sent to the student, the student’s dean, the Dean of Undergraduate Studies and will be added to the student’s academic record provisionally.

Consequences of Academic Dishonesty

• Not learning material which will adversely affect your ability to fulfill professional roles and advance in your career because of not learning;
• A continued negative impact on the student’s reputation and view among faculty and students;
• Undermines the reason you are here to prepare professionally;
• Results in a “vicious cycle.” An act of academic dishonesty, makes it easier to make wrong choices in future and leads to higher probability of this behavior the future.

End result is that you don’t learn what you need to learn.

Disability Accommodations

Under the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) of 1992, a student with a disability as defined under the Act has the right to request accommodation if needed to successfully complete required course work. The Associate Director should be informed of your situation so they can assist you as needed. However, it is your responsibility to inform each faculty member teaching your classes of any special needs. The faculty member should be notified of your needs during the first week of classes so appropriate arrangements can be made for the entire semester. For additional information, contact the MSU Resource Center for Persons with Disabilities (RCPD) at (517) 884-7273: website: https://www.rcpd.msu.edu/

MSU Policy on Sexual Harassment

Sexual harassment is reprehensible and will not be tolerated at Michigan State University. Such behavior subverts the mission of the University and threatens the careers, educational experience, and well-being of students, faculty, and staff.
The University prohibits sexually harassing behavior, including that made unlawful by Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Title IX of the Educational Amendments of 1972, and the Elliott-Larsen Civil Rights act. University policy and the law also prohibit retaliation against persons who report sexual harassment.

A. Confidentiality

Confidentiality means that information shared by an individual with designated campus or community professionals which cannot be revealed to any other person without express permission of the individual, or as otherwise permitted or required by law. Those campus and community professionals who have the ability to maintain confidential relationships include health care providers and mental health professionals in the capacity of their professional relationships with their patients or clients, sexual assault victim advocates, relationship violence victim advocates, and ordained clergy, all of whom normally have privileged confidentiality that is recognized by Michigan state law. These individuals are prohibited from breaking confidentiality unless (i) given permission to do so by the person who disclosed the information; (ii) there is an imminent threat of harm to self or others; (iii) the conduct involves suspected abuse of a minor under the age of 18; or (iv) as otherwise required or permitted by law or court order.

B. Prohibited Acts

No member of the University community shall engage in sexual harassment. Persons who engage in sexual harassment are subject to disciplinary action, including dismissal for employees and/or suspension for students.

Sexual harassment is defined as unwelcome advances, requests for sexual favors, or other behavior of a sexual nature. Sexual harassment violates University policy when:

1. Submission to such conduct is made explicitly or implicitly a term or condition of an individual's employment or status in a course, program, or activity.
2. Submission to or rejection of such conduct is used as a basis for a decision affecting an individual's employment or participation in a course, program, or activity, or
3. Such behavior is so severe, persistent, or pervasive that a reasonable person would find that it:
   a. Alters the terms or conditions of a person's employment or educational experience, or
   b. Unreasonably interferes with an individual's work or performance in a course, program, or activity, thus creating a hostile or abusive working or educational environment.

C. Examples of Sexual Harassment

Many kinds of behavior may fit within the preceding definition of sexual harassment. Speech and expressive conduct can also be sexual harassment. The following is a non-exhaustive list of examples of behavior that might fall within the preceding definition of sexual harassment:

- Sexual violence, including sexual assault, rape, and sexual exploitation;
- Threats or insinuations that lead the recipient reasonably to believe that granting or denying sexual favors will affect her or his reputation, education, employment, advancement, or standing within the University;
- Sexual advances, sexual propositions, or sexual demands that are not welcome to the recipient
- Persistent romantic pursuit such as repeated requests for dates or romantic encounters that are not welcome to the recipient
- Unwelcome sexually explicit material sent to a recipient in any manner, including but not limited to electronic communication methods
- Stalking, cyberstalking, recording or transmitting sexual or nude images and/or audio without an individual's permission, and voyeurism
- Unwelcome and persistent sexually explicit statements or stories that are not legitimately related to employment duties, course content, research, or other University programs or activities
- Repeatedly using unwelcome sexually degrading words or sounds to a person or to describe a person
- Unwanted and unnecessary touching, patting, hugging, or other physical contact
- Recurring unwelcome comments or questions about an individual's sexual prowess, sexual deficiencies, sexual behavior or genitalia

Depending upon the circumstances, any of the above types of conduct may be sexual harassment and subject to disciplinary action, even if that conduct only occurs once.

**D. Seeking Assistance in Filing a Complaint**

The University has an obligation to promptly take steps to investigate or otherwise determine what occurred and then to address instances of relationship violence, stalking, and sexual misconduct when it knows or should have known about such instances, regardless of claimant cooperation and involvement. Therefore, the University encourages persons who believe that they have experienced relationship violence, stalking, or sexual misconduct to contact the University. Individuals are also encouraged to contact the MSU Sexual Assault Program, MSU Safe Place, or MSU Employee Assistance Program for confidential support.

Students who believe they are the victims of sexual harassment may seek information and assistance from:

- the chairperson, director, or dean of the relevant unit
- supervisory support personnel
- Women's Resource Center
- Ombudsman
- Student Life or Residence Hall staff
- MSU Counseling Center
- Sexual Assault Crisis and Safety Education Program at the MSU Counseling Center
- Faculty or Staff Academic Advisors
- Faculty Grievance Official
- Anti-discrimination Judicial Board Coordinator
- Office of Student Employment

Any University student, employee, or third party who seeks to make a complaint or report may:

- Make a report to the Office of Institutional Equity (OIE):
  408 W. Circle Dr, Suite 4, Olds Hall
  East Lansing, MI 48824
  (517) 353-3922

- Contact the MSU Police for assistance in filing a criminal complaint and preserving physical evidence; and/or

- Contact local law enforcement to file a criminal complaint.

Learn more about efforts to prevent and address sexual assault and relationship violence at the website for Prevention, Outreach and Education Department, [https://poe.msu.edu/](https://poe.msu.edu/)

Individuals who do not wish to pursue a University or law enforcement investigation may
contact confidential campus resources, including MSU Sexual Assault Program, MSU Safe Place, MSU Employee Assistance Program, or the University Ombudsperson.

Claimants may pursue some or all of these steps at the same time (e.g., one may simultaneously pursue an internal complaint and a criminal complaint). When talking to one of these offices, claimants do not need to know whether they wish to request any particular course of action. Claimants do not need to know how to label what happened. Choosing to make a complaint, and deciding how to proceed after making the complaint, can be a process that unfolds over time. Before or during this decision-making process, claimants are encouraged to seek support and information from a confidential resource. The University can most effectively investigate and respond to alleged relationship violence, stalking, or sexual misconduct if the complaint is made as promptly as possible after the alleged violence, stalking, or misconduct occurs. However, the University does not limit the time frame for reporting. If the respondent is not a member of the MSU community at the time of the report, the University will still seek to meet its legal obligations by providing reasonably available support for a claimant, but its ability to investigate and/or take action may be limited. However, the University will assist a claimant in identifying external resources upon request.

E. Awareness

Members of the University community are responsible for knowing and understanding the university's policy prohibiting sexual harassment. Students who do not understand the policy should contact the Office of the Vice President for Student Affairs.

**MSU Anti-Discriminatory Policy**

*The following policy was approved by the Board of Trustees on April 9, 1993 and revised on December 5, 2003, April 13, 2007, and October 30, 2015.*

**Article I. Purpose**

Michigan State University's scholarly community-building efforts occur within the context of general societal expectations, as embodied in the law. The University, consistent with its policies and governing law, promotes institutional diversity and pluralism through mechanisms such as affirmative action, within an over-arching strategy promoting equitable access to opportunity. The University’s commitment to non-discrimination is the foundation for such efforts.

**Article II. Applicability**

This policy states expectations for institutional and individual conduct. It applies to all University community members, including faculty, staff, students, registered student organizations, student governing bodies, and the University’s administrative units, and to the University’s contractors in the execution of their University contracts or engagements¹, with respect to the following:

1. All educational, employment, cultural, and social activities occurring on the University campus;
2. University-sponsored programs and activities occurring off-campus, including but not limited to cooperative extension, intercollegiate athletics, lifelong education, and any regularly scheduled classes;
3. University housing; and
4. Programs and activities sponsored by student governing bodies, including their constituent groups, and by registered student organizations.

**Article III. Prohibited Discrimination**

Unlawful acts of discrimination or harassment are prohibited.
In addition, the University community holds itself to certain standards of conduct more stringent than those mandated by law. Thus, even if not illegal, acts are prohibited under this policy if they:

1. Discriminate against any University community member(s) through inappropriate limitation of employment opportunity, access to University residential facilities, or participation in education, athletic, social, cultural, or other University activities on the basis of age, color, gender, gender identity, disability status, height, marital status, national origin, political persuasion, race, religion, sexual orientation, veteran status, or weight; or
2. Harass any University community member(s) on the basis of age, color, gender, gender identity, disability status, height, marital status, national origin, political persuasion, race, religion, sexual orientation, veteran status, or weight.

These prohibitions shall not be construed in a manner that abridges University community members’ right of free expression or other civil rights.

Article IV. Informal Resolution

Informal resolution of disputes, through consultation provided by offices serving the University, is encouraged. Informal resolution is typically used when a claimant asks to participate in an informal resolution, requests anonymity, does not consent to participation in an investigation, or the alleged conduct, even if it does not rise to the level of a policy violation, suggests the need for remedial, educational, or preventive action. Participation in informal resolution is voluntary, and either party may terminate the informal resolution process at any time. If a party terminates attempts at informal resolution, or the parties are unable to resolve the matter informally, a formal review of the complaint will begin.

Article V. Complaints and Investigations

Complaints under this Policy are processed and investigated by the Office of Institutional Equity (OIE) pursuant to the OIE Complaint Procedures. Allegations involving gender discrimination, including sexual and gender-based harassment, assault, and violence, are processed and investigated pursuant to the Relationship Violence & Sexual Misconduct (RVSM) Policy.

CONTACT INFORMATION:

Office of Institutional Equity
Olds Hall
408 W. Circle, Room 4
Michigan State University
East Lansing, MI 48824
(517) 353-3922
oie@msu.edu
https://oie.msu.edu/

The University investigates complaints involving conduct occurring at the locations, programs, and activities listed in Article II above. The University also investigates complaints of conduct occurring off-campus, even if not occurring in the context of a University program or activity, if the alleged conduct creates or contributes to a hostile environment on campus.

Article VI. Violations of the Policy

Violations of the policy may result in disciplinary action pursuant to the applicable student conduct or employee disciplinary process. Discipline may include, but is not limited to, suspension or dismissal for students or employees.
Article VII. History

This Policy was approved by the Board of Trustee on April 9, 1993 and revised on December 5, 2003, April 13, 2007, and October 30, 2015.

Resolution of Conflicts

Conflicts, disagreements, and issues sometimes arise during the course of an academic program. If you find yourself in this situation, SHRLR encourages you to first discuss the issue with the faculty or staff member involved. If that discussion does not resolve the issues, students are encouraged to contact the Associate Director for Undergraduate Programs. If you have exhausted these internal resources for resolving the issue, you may contact the Office of the University Ombudsperson.

The Office of the University Ombudsperson provides assistance to students, faculty, and staff in resolving University-related concerns. Such concerns include: student-faculty conflicts; communication problems; concerns about the university climate; and questions about what options are available for handling a problem according to Michigan State University policy. The University Ombudsperson also provides information about available resources and student/faculty rights and responsibilities. The office operates as a confidential, independent, and neutral resource. It does not provide notice to the University; that is, it does not speak or hear for the University.

Contact the Ombudsperson at any point during an issue when a confidential conversation or source of information may be needed. The Ombudsperson will listen to your concerns, give you information about university policies, help you evaluate the situation, and assist you in making plans to resolve the conflict.

Contact information:

Office of the University Ombudsperson, [https://ombud.msu.edu/](https://ombud.msu.edu/)
129 N. Kedzie Hall
(517) 353-8830
ombud@msu.edu

A student may file a grievance alleging a violation of any academic rights, to challenge an academic evaluation on the grounds that the evaluation was based entirely or in part upon factors other than a good faith judgment of the student’s academic performance, including compliance with applicable professional standards, or (iii) contest a penalty grade or other disciplinary sanctions (e.g., written assignments) based on a charge of academic misconduct. The process for filing a grievance can be found here: [http://splife.studentlife.msu.edu/student-rights-and-responsibilities-at-michigan-state-university/article-7-adjudication-of-academic-cases](http://splife.studentlife.msu.edu/student-rights-and-responsibilities-at-michigan-state-university/article-7-adjudication-of-academic-cases).

Campus Resources

Counseling & Psychiatric Services (CAPS) (355-8270) located in Olin Health Center, 3rd Floor and other branch offices offer professional counseling for personal problems, career counseling, complete testing services and a self-management laboratory and workshops in many areas. [https://caps.msu.edu/](https://caps.msu.edu/)

Collaborative Learning Center
The CLC (202 Bessey Hall - [https://nssc.msu.edu/clc/index.html](https://nssc.msu.edu/clc/index.html)) is part of the Neighborhood Student Success Collaborative, with a mission that supersedes the former Learning Resources Center (LRC). Instead, the CLC provides training in pedagogical techniques, collaborative learning techniques, and classroom assessment techniques to help peer educators (Tutors, Undergraduate Learning Assistants, Academic Coaches, etc.) incorporate “how to learn” with “what to learn.” The CLC can also provide professional development opportunities for peer educators throughout the semester.
MSU Engagement Centers
The Engagement Centers are unique spaces located in each neighborhood and serve as the main access points to important resources such as tutors, academic advisors, health practitioners, and other consultants that can help you navigate through your college career. Resources provided in the neighborhoods are organized into four key developmental areas: academic, health and wellness, intercultural, and residential: https://nssc.msu.edu/engagement/index.html.

See also Online Engagement Center (OEC): https://nssc.msu.edu/oec/index.html

Statistics
The Statistics Learning Center (A wing of Wells Hall) provides drop-in assistance to students enrolled in selected STT courses: https://stt.natsci.msu.edu/academics/statistics-learning-center/

Writing Center
The Writing Center at Michigan State University provides writing support for undergraduate and graduate students, as well as faculty, at all levels of proficiency, at any stage in the composing process, and with any type of composing project. We offer one-on-one and group writing consultations, various writing-specific workshops, as well as writing groups for graduate students and faculty. We have locations across MSU’s campus serving the needs of all students and campus communities: http://writing.msu.edu/

Testing Office (355-8385) in 207 Student Services has registration materials for the LSAT and GRE and also administers foreign language placement tests: https://testingcenter.msu.edu/

Office of Supportive Services (353-5210) in 209 Bessey Hall coordinates special programs for minority and disadvantaged students. It provides tutoring for basic classes for CAAP students and others who meet their criteria along with other services. https://oss.msu.edu/

Resource Center for Persons with Disabilities (RCPD)
Michigan State University demonstrates international leadership in providing the latest disability technology, resources, and services through its Signature Programs at the Resource Center for Persons with Disabilities: https://www.rcpd.msu.edu

TRIO Support Services
TRIO includes eight programs targeted to serve and assist low-income individuals, first-generation college students, and individuals with disabilities to progress through the academic pipeline from middle school to post-baccalaureate programs: https://nssc.msu.edu/programs/triossprogram/index.html

English Language Center (ELC)
English Language Center (B204 Wells Hall) provides instruction to international students who need to improve their English language skills before beginning academic course work. The ELC also serves the international community by providing English language instruction against a backdrop of American life and academia: https://elc.msu.edu/

Mathematics-Math Learning Center (MLC)
The Math Learning Center (Wells Hall) provides walk-in assistance to students enrolled in all 100 and 200 level math courses and limited assistance in upper level math courses. In addition, the MLC also provides practice tests, group study sessions, exam reviews, and online tutoring in selected courses. Math support is also provided in the MSU neighborhoods: https://math.msu.edu/mlc/

Social Science
Social Science offers a variety of free support options in selected social science and ISS courses. These options include drop-in tutoring, appointments, and review sessions. Services are available in the Engagement Centers and the Main Library. https://socialscience.msu.edu/undergraduate/current-students/student-success/index.html
Library & Research Services

The vast majority of research resources that students will need to complete their coursework are available online through the Gast Business Library’s website https://lib.msu.edu/bus/. This website is the portal through which you can access all the resources subscribed to by the business library – 24 hours a day / 7 days a week – including over 70 business databases with company and industry information as well as thousands of online articles and e-books on a range of human resources and labor relations topics. A print collection is also maintained and updated regularly to maintain MSU’s historical strength in the areas of labor and industrial relations and human resources. There is also a curated guide to SHRLR-relevant materials, both print and online, available at https://libguides.lib.msu.edu/humanresources .

Unique among the business library’s holdings is the searchable, online database of fact-finding decisions and Act 312 arbitration awards available at https://lib.msu.edu/branches/bus/act312/ and an online archive of Michigan public sector collective bargaining agreements available at: https://lib.msu.edu/branches/bus/contracts/.

The Gast Business Library is located in the basement of the Law College Building at 648 North Shaw Lane, about a ten-minute walk from the South Kedzie building. It features 500+ seats, over 100 computers for individual use, and 12 group study rooms available for reservation through https://bookings.lib.msu.edu/spaces?lid=1652&gid=5200 . The Gast Business Library is generally open 100 hours per week during the school year, and these hours are updated and posted online regularly: https://lib.msu.edu/hours/gast-business-library/.

In addition to classroom and small group instruction, Gast Business Librarians are available for research consultations and reference questions every day from 1pm-5pm and via email at gastbus@broad.msu.edu. The Main Library is located at 366 E Circle Drive and is a five-minute walk from South Kedzie. For more information about the Main Library, please visit https://lib.msu.edu/.

SHRLR Professional Development & Outreach

The School’s Professional Development & Outreach unit offers programs focused on helping professionals develop the right strategies, content expertise and leadership skills to effectively align HR policies and practices with business and operational plans to achieve lasting competitive advantage. Open enrollment programs provide training and leadership development across the full spectrum of human resource management, contemporary collective bargaining and negotiations, and worker compensation administration.

Professional development programs include but are not limited to:

- Advanced Topics for Certified Human Resources Specialists
- Certificate in Organizational Inclusion and Diversity
- Certificate in Virtual Leadership
- Certificate in Workplace Investigations
- Certified Family Medical Leave Specialist
- Certified HR Specialist
- Certified Labor Relations Leader
- Certified Workers' Compensation Program
- Negotiating Labor/Management Agreements for Competitive Advantage
- SHRM-CP/SHRM-SCP Exam Preparation
Attendance Policy for SHRLR Professional Development

Students enrolled in degree programs in the School of Human Resources & Labor Relations are encouraged to attend SHRLR professional development workshops. However, since our primary audience is human resources and labor relations practitioners, we must limit the number of students that can attend each program. Unless special arrangements have been made a maximum of three (3) students will be admitted to each workshop.

The cost of attendance is substantially reduced for SHRLR students who are currently enrolled in the Human Capital & Society degree program, have a minimum of twenty-four (24) credits completed toward their degree, and have been enrolled in the preceding two semesters. Contact Kristi White at whitekr@msu.edu for student rates for specific programs.

To register, contact Kristi White via email (whitekr@msu.edu) or in SKH room S421A. Registrations are taken on a first-come, first-served basis. Payment must accompany registration. Payment may be made by check (payable to MSU), MasterCard, Visa, or American Express. Registration forms are available outside of the Professional Development office (422 South Kedzie).

Cancellations

- **FOR VIRTUAL (ZOOM) PROGRAMS**
  - Cancellation more than three weeks prior to the program start date: full refund.
  - Cancellation two weeks prior to the program start date: 10% cancellation fee; remainder of program fee refunded.
  - Cancellation after program materials have been posted/provided to participants (normally 2 days prior to program start date): no refund.
  - Cancellation fees may be waived if the participant registers and attends the same program within 12 months. Fees may only be waived once.

- **FOR IN-PERSON PROGRAMS**
  - Cancellation four weeks prior to program start: 10% cancellation fee; remainder of program fee refunded.
  - Cancellation less than four weeks but at least two weeks prior to program start: 50% cancellation fee.
  - Cancellation less than two weeks prior to program start: no refund.
  - These cancellation fees apply even if the participant wishes to reschedule to a later date for the same program or a different program. Participants may send a substitute from the same organization for the same program and date with prior written notice and avoid the cancellation fee.
MSU reserves the right to cancel programs when enrollment criteria are not met or for conditions beyond its control. Any additional costs incurred by the enrollee of canceled programs are the responsibility of the enrollee.

When attending courses:

- A confirmation of enrollment will be emailed to you.
- Dress is business casual.
- Please, no audio or video recording.
- Your name will be included on an attendee list that is distributed at the workshop. You will be identified as an MSU student. If you want to be included on our mailing list, please indicate the appropriate address.
- As students will be seated with and treated like regular attendees, they are expected to be present for the entire day.

SHRLR Labor Outreach

In accordance with the Morrill Act creating land grant universities and MSU's commitment to community engagement through outreach education, development and research, our School offers outreach programming aimed at enhancing the well-being of Michigan residents, the representation of working men and women by the labor movement, and the success of labor-management relations in organizations.

Included among labor outreach activities provided by the School are:

1. traditional open-enrollment and customized union education and training workshops;
2. administration and oversight of union training programs;
3. labor-management facilitation, consultation and training;
4. organizational change consulting; and
5. special labor and labor-management conferences.

SHRLR Advisory Board

Comprised of highly distinguished HRLR executives, the SHRLR external Advisory Board plays a central role in the strategic planning and advancement of our School. Each year the Board establishes various subcommittees of Board members, faculty and staff that meet throughout the year to assess various issues and challenges and make recommendations to the full Board at its annual meetings. The foci of these deliberations include curriculum, student recruitment, student placement and earlier career development, classroom and student space, branding, and corporate support for scholarships and student organizations. The primary roles of Board members include the following:

1. to actively participate in Advisory Board meetings and committees and in special events sponsored by the School
2. to serve as advocates for School initiatives and as ambassadors-at-large promoting School programs and initiatives
3. to represent the School as leaders within the broader human resource and labor relations professional community, and
4. to help plan and elicit corporate and individual gifts in promoting the development and advancement of the School.
In conjunction with MSU’s Alumni Relations Association, the SHRLR Alumni Relations Board has focused its efforts on establishing localized SHRLR alumni groups and on mentoring and coaching current students and recent graduates. In pursuit of its two main objectives, the Board has formed alumni groups in 20 major city locations across the U.S. The underlying objective of these groups is to build local networks that enhance opportunities for alumni in given locations to meet with and support each other professionally, as well as build a sense of community and association with our School.

In addition, these local alumni groups serve as a bridge to our students who take summer internships and full-time employment in given locations. Hosting alumni receptions and acting as welcoming committees, these alumni groups reach out to our students and recent graduates in an effort to assist them with their relocations and serving as local mentors and coaches. The Board also engages directly with our students on campus, holding meetings and workshops to provide early career advice as they embark on summer internships and their full-time positions upon graduation.
## APPENDIX

### SHRLR CONTACT INFORMATION

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MAJOR REQUIREMENTS

Degree Requirements

I. **Required Courses**: (18 credits):

   - HRLR 201 Introduction to Human Capital and Society (fall/spring) 3 credits
   - HRLR 313 Employment Relations (201 or concurrently, spring only) 3 credits
   - HRLR 314 Legal Environment of Work (201 or concurrently, fall only) 3 credits
   - HRLR 315 Research Methods & Analysis (STT 200, fall/spring) 3 credits
   - HRLR 410 Voice & Democracy at Work (201 & 313 or 314, fall/spring) 3 credits
   - HRLR 465 Capstone in HC & S (all above/410 or concurrently, fall/spring) 3 credits

Other Required Courses:

   - One of the following courses (3 or 4 credits): STT 200/201, PSY 295, STT 315, STT 421, GEO 363
   - One of the following courses (3 credits): EC 201/202

II. **HRLR Electives**: total of 12 credits (4 courses) required, including at least one from each category

   General:
   - CEP 460 Communication Skill Training Helping Professional (junior/senior) 3 credits
   - HRLR 211 Introduction to Organizational Leadership (every semester) 3 credits
   - HRLR 212 Career Management (summer only) 3 credits
   - HRLR 311 Applied Organizational Leadership (211, every semester) 3 credits
   - *SSC 493/494/496/490 – Internship/Research/Field Study Abroad/Special Topics 3 credits

   Human Capital Systems:
   - CEP 470 Disability in a Diverse Society (junior/senior standing) 3 credits
   - HRLR 316 Economics of Human Capital (EC 201 or 202, fall only) 3 credits
   - HRLR 401 Income Inequality (201, spring only) 3 credits
   - MGT 411 Organizational Staffing (201, junior/senior standing) 3 credits

   International:
   - HRLR 414 Legal Standards in a Global Workplace (314, spring only) 3 credits
   - HRLR 420 Comparative Human Capital Systems (313, fall only) 3 credits
   - *SSC 49x courses require approval of Academic Advisor

III. **Cognate Electives**: total of 6 credits (2 courses) from the following list:

   Anthropology
   - ANP 201 Introduction to Cultural Anthropology 3 credits
   - ANP 220 Gender Relations in Comparative Perspective 3 credits
   - ANP 330 Race, Ethnicity, and Nation 3 credits
Economics

EC 301 Intermediate Microeconomics (EC 201 & math) 3 credits
EC 310 Economics of Developing Countries (EC 201) 3 credits
EC 340 Survey of International Economics (EC 201 & 202) 3 credits
EC 380 Labor Relations and Labor Market Policy (EC 201) 3 credits
EC 480 Analysis of Labor Markets (EC 301) 3 credits

Geography

GEO 113 Introduction to Economic Geography 3 credits
GEO 151 Introduction to Human Geography 3 credits
GEO 204 World Regional Geography 3 credits

History

HST 213 U.S. Business and Economic History 3 credits
HST 225 Law, History and Society in the United States 3 credits
HST 305 The Making of the Modern United States 3 credits
HST 306 Modern U.S. History 3 credits
HST 313 Women in the United States to 1869 3 credits
HST 314 Women in the United States since 1869 3 credits

Human Development and Family Studies

HDFS 442 Ethnic Families in America (juniors/seniors) 3 credits

Psychology

PSY 235 Social Psychology (PSY 101) 3 credits
PSY 236 Personality (PSY 101) 3 credits
PSY 255 Industrial and Organizational Psychology (PSY 101) 3 credits

Sociology

SOC 161 International Development and Change 3 credits
SOC 214 Social Inequality 3 credits
SOC 215 Race and Ethnicity 3 credits
SOC 216 Sex and Gender 3 credits
SOC 241 Social Psychology (not open to students with credit in PSY 235) 3 credits
SOC 424 Organizations and Society 3 credits
SOC 481 Social Movements and Collective Identities (no freshmen) 3 credits

IV. College Requirements: Complete a minimum of 15 credits in one Interdisciplinary Minor. To view available minors and all Social Science College requirements, please refer here: https://socialscience.msu.edu/undergraduate/current-students(curriculum.html
## Student Advising Worksheet

Always check Degree Navigator to make sure you are meeting all graduation requirements – [https://degnav.msu.edu/](https://degnav.msu.edu/)

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### I. University requirements

- **WRA 101 (4)** ____________ ____________
- Math Requirement ____________ ____________
- **IAH 201-210 (4)** ____________ ____________
- **IAH 211 – 241 (4)** ____________ ____________
- **ISS 2xx (4)** ____________ ____________
- **ISS 3xx (4)** ____________ ____________
- ISB or alternate (3) ____________ ____________
- ISP or alternate (3) ____________ ____________
- LAB requirement (2) ____________ ____________

**Total** ____________

### II. Required courses (18 credits)

- **HRLR 201** ____________ ____________
- **HRLR 313 (Spring)** ____________ ____________
- **HRLR 314 (Fall)** ____________ ____________
- **HRLR 315 (STT, Fall/Spring)** ____________ ____________
- **HRLR 410 (Fall/Spring)** ____________ ____________
- **HRLR 465 (Fall/Spring)** ____________ ____________

**Total** ____________

### III. HRLR Electives (12 credits)

- General: ____________ ____________
- HC Systems: ____________ ____________
- International: ____________ ____________
- ____________ ____________

**Total** ____________
IV. Cognate Electives (6 credits)
- ___________________________  ___________
- ___________________________  ___________
  Total  ___________

V. College Requirements:

CSS Minor ___________________________ (Minimum of 15 credits)
- ___________________________  ___________
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Experiential Requirement (3 or 4 credits)  ___________

STEM Requirement (6 credits)
- ___________________________  ___________
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  Total  ___________

300/400 Crs. _______ REMAINING_________________________
ENROLLED_________________________
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REQUIRED 120 / 123
SHRLR HCS Major

Sample Four Year Academic Progress Plan

`1st Year (Freshman 0-29 credits)`

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`3rd Year (Junior 60-89 credits)`

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*This is a sample academic progress plan and should be used for informational purposes only. Please consult the HCS Major Advisor to discuss and create your own academic plan. You can also complete the following to enhance your undergraduate experience: internship, study abroad/away, service learning and research opportunities.*