Launching a Public Sector Career
November 1, 2019
11:30am – 12:30pm (+ 30 minutes networking time at end)
Mississippi Room, Coffman Union

Lunch provided

Agenda:
Introduction to the Public Sector 5 minutes

Panel – how to land a job in the public sector 25 minutes
• Moderated by Scott Vargo, this section will focus on why panelists work where they do and how they got there. 3-4 questions will be pre-determined and vetted by event organizers. Remaining time will be allotted to audience questions. Participation will be limited to 4 staff members from Minneapolis, Hennepin, State of Minnesota, and Ramsey County or Saint Paul.

World Café 30 minutes
• Students visit 3 tables for 9 minutes each. Each table will be hosted by an organization; 2 Hennepin tables, 2 State of MN tables, 2 Minneapolis tables, 1 Saint Paul table, and 1 Ramsey County table.

• Each table will be hosted by a recruiter. Some tables will have an additional non-recruiter staff member.

• Table hosts can answer questions related to the application process, and provide internship and career advice related to: human services and public health, transportation, environment, criminal justice & law enforcement, policy analysis, economic development, information technology, and law.

• Students will be encouraged to gather as many contacts as possible with whom they may connect with at the end of the event or at a later date.

Event officially ends; staff stay for networking 30 minutes
Event participants

Predominantly urban, Ramsey is Minnesota’s smallest and most densely populated county. Ramsey County communities are nationally known as attractive, livable places rich in history, diversity and opportunity.

Represented by: Ollie Muhammad, HR supervisor and Jonna Shelomith, Diversity Specialist

St. Paul, the head of navigation of the Mississippi River, is a City of neighborhoods. Like a network of urban villages, our neighborhoods are strong and stable, each with its own fascinating texture of historic interest, cultural landmarks, ethnic heritage and time-honored traditions.

Represented by: Anita Vue, HR consultant

Hennepin is a national leader in providing innovative and effective services to its residents. As the largest county in Minnesota, we provide hundreds of career opportunities including in healthcare, data analytics, social work, and criminal justice. In 2019 Hennepin County was rated 6th best Minnesota employer by Forbes.

Represented by: Scott Vargo, University Engagement Coordinator, and Jessica Damm and Aaron Taylor, recruiters

The biggest underestimated place in the north. A dramatic riverfront skyline, three professional sports stadiums, so much art you’re literally surrounded by it and a theater on almost every corner. A culture committed to perfecting the craft of the brew, one of the best park systems in the nation, and a foodie paradise.

Represented by: Deb Krueger, HR manager and Tracy Gabrelcik, recruiter

DHS helps provide essential services to Minnesota's most vulnerable residents. Working with many others, including counties, tribes and nonprofits, DHS helps ensure that Minnesota seniors, people with disabilities, children and others meet their basic needs and have the opportunity to reach their full potential.

Represented by: Samantha Leuang, Diversity Talent Specialist

MMB serves the people of Minnesota by providing leadership and guidance to state agencies to support efficient and effective government, a world class workforce, and responsible financial management.

Represented by: Nickyia Cogshell, State Director for Equal Opportunity, ADA, Diversity, and Inclusion

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