



BOSTON COLLEGE

Carroll School of Management

Community Service Guidelines

The Carroll School of Management has made a commitment to instill a strong sense of community service in our graduate students. In an effort to align this commitment with our graduate programs, all students must fulfill a requirement of service to others through meaningful work as volunteers.

GOALS

1. Promote the personal, social, and civic development of our students.
2. Provide students with experience working with community-based organizations and individuals.
3. Continue to foster real-time experiential learning through this opportunity to leverage individual skills and expertise in a service capacity.
4. Further the Boston College Jesuit tradition of service.

BASE GUIDELINES

1. Community service must be completed during the time frame between enrollment in the program and one month prior to your graduation date.
2. MBA students must complete 20 hours of community service.
3. MSF and MSA students must complete 10 hours of community service.
4. Service must meet the needs of more than your family, your employer, or the university.
5. The student can receive no monetary compensation or academic credit for the service. Typically, internships do not meet the guidelines.
6. The student's work must serve those in the community who are in genuine need of it, and must display a clear sense of social responsibility. Though it would be impossible to provide an exhaustive list, some examples of acceptable forms of community service would be serving those who are underprivileged, working with children to further their learning and development, assisting the elderly/infirm, or contributing to environmental protection efforts. Volunteering to help with a charity walk or marathon is an acceptable form of community service, however walking or running in the actual event is not. Simply performing work free of charge is not, in and of itself, sufficient to meet the requirements.

If you have any questions, including but not limited to the eligibility of your service, please contact [Graduate Programs Support](#).