

POL 3320E: City Studio - Women and Civic Leadership

Women continue to be underrepresented in civic leadership. This course offers a unique experience for students who identify as women and are interested in becoming engaged in civic leadership and community building. Students are paired with a female civic leader to learn about the opportunities and barriers facing women. The Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) reports that only 16% of Mayors and 24% of Councilors in Canada are women. The International City Managers Association (ICMA) reports that women comprise only 13% of City Managers. Women are underrepresented in other community leadership roles as well. This course offers a unique experience for female students interested in becoming engaged in civic leadership. Students are paired with a female civic leader as a mentor and are provided with opportunities to learn about barriers facing women while learning alongside women already engaged in civic leadership.

Prerequisite: 1.0, or the equivalent, from: Social Justice and Peace Studies 2301A/B, 2302A/B, 2303A/B, 2304F/G, Political Science 2230E, 2236E, 2255F/G, Dimensions of Leadership 2233A/B; and permission of the Program Coordinator/Chair.

To be considered for this course, students must submit an application. The application will include:

- * A CV
- * A copy of the student's unofficial transcript
- * A 500-word statement answering the question "How will this experience enhance my academic experience and future professional aspirations?"

To apply for this opportunity, please send you 500-word letter of interest, your CV, and a copy of your transcript to Paul Barker at pfbarker@uwo.ca by **12 July 2019**