

Peace Corps Prep

The Peace Corps Prep program is a distinct experiential learning community within the Pavlis Honors College that exists to inspire and prepare Michigan Tech students to be ready to serve in the U.S. Peace Corps or a similar organization. By completing the program, you will lay a solid foundation for graduate school in an area of international development.



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Does this sound like you?

- I want to live in another country.
- I want to learn a new language and culture.
- *I want to find a way to use my training to make the world a better place.*
- *I want to build strong cross-cultural partnerships on critical issues.*
- *I want to be challenged to think outside the box.*
- I want to build relationships with other students and faculty with these interests.

This is what the Peace Corp Prep program is all about.



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Program Components

Seminar Course

• Three one-credit seminars for personal and professional development

Academic Enhancement

• Gain skills in intercultural competence and international development through the Minor in Global Community Development Partnerships.

Immersion Experience

• Participate in a cross-cultural, service-oriented experience to develop an understanding of critical global issues and forge professional partnerships

Honors Project

- A distinct project of your creation in 50 hours or more
- Leadership or Mentorship
- Put what you've learned into action in your community

Interested in learning more about Peace Corps Prep?

Stop by the Pavlis Honors College in room 722 of the M&M Building or email Kari Henquinet (kbhenqui@mtu.edu). We also encourage you to visit our website, mtu.edu/honors/learning-communities/peace-corps-prep.



Program Components

1. Seminar Courses

Students will enroll in three one-credit seminars. These seminars are designed to advance you through the personal and professional development necessary to complete the other program components. You may only enroll in one seminar course per semester.

2. Academic Enhancement

Students will complete the Minor in Global Community Development Partnerships to gain skills in intercultural competence and international development. Upon completion of the Peace Corps Prep program, you will be ready to serve in the U.S. Peace Corps or a similar organization and will have laid a solid foundation for graduate school in an area of international development and related fields.

3. Immersion Experience

A deep dive of 50 hours or more into your experiential pathway will be fulfilled through participation in a cross-cultural, service-oriented experience designed to build intercultural competency, develop a deeper understanding of critical global issues, and forge professional partnerships. This experience may be in the U.S. or abroad. Through this experience, students will specialize in one of the following focal areas of international development and Peace Corps:

- Education
- Health
- Environment

5. Leadership/Mentorship

4. Honors Project

Your honors project is a unique project of your creation informed by a Project Mentor who brings significant experience and acts as a resource in the development and completion of your project. You must submit an Honors Project Contract that provides an overview of a distinct work that advances an idea in an original way with a product (device, process, event, organization, system, written document...) designed to have a broad and lasting impact. The project must be over and above the requirements of courses required for your major and equivalent to approximately 50 hours of work.



This is your opportunity to put what you've learned into action in your community. You must submit a_Leadership/Mentorship Plan outlining how you intend to complete at least 15 hours of leadership or mentorship in a community that you define.

Deadlines: Leadership/Mentorship Plans are due at least 4 weeks prior to the beginning of the experience. The experience must be completed at least 1 month prior to graduation.



You are eligible to apply after completing one semester on campus. You must also have at least two years remaining in order to complete the program. For more information on how to apply, visit http://www.mtu.edu/honors/learning-communities/apply.