As Jindal School students, you are required to broaden your experience and knowledge in management and business outside the classroom by completing a social engagement requirement. This social engagement requirement is intended to enhance your education by providing a platform to apply classroom knowledge in real-world settings to enhance your understanding of class materials while encouraging personal and social skill development and strengthening bonds to the community. The skills and experience you will gain through this community engagement will make you a more well-rounded student as well as a more desirable candidate for employment after you graduate.

Students have two options to complete this social engagement graduation requirement:

1) **Social Sector Engagement and Community Outreach Practicum (BA 4095) (0 semester credit hours)**
   - Pending their request, interested students will be invited to our private hub on the VOMO platform. VOMO is a scheduling and tracking software for community engagement opportunities that will be used to track students’ progress toward hour completion. Need an invite? Check out our website, Jindal.utdallas.edu/outreach.
   - Students **MUST** use their UTD email in order to be added to the UTD Jindal OutREACH VOMO Hub. This hub will only show students approved community engagement opportunities.
   - Students must complete **100 hours of approved** community service, tracked through the VOMO system, to receive credit for BA 4095. These hours must all be unpaid volunteer hours and must be earned while enrolled at UTD in a JSOM major.
   - Community service opportunities other than those listed in the Jindal OutREACH VOMO Hub may be eligible toward the 100 community service hour requirement if they meet certain criteria. Criteria and service hour submission forms can be found on our website, Jindal.utdallas.edu/outreach. Outside opportunities **MUST** meet published service guidelines and completed forms should be submitted within 30 days of the date of service.
   - Once students have **completed** 100 community service hours, they will be automatically enrolled in BA 4095 for their degree requirement.
   - Students will have until their graduation audit to complete community service hours and enroll in the course.
   - 0-credit hour course; fulfills only the community engagement requirement

OR

2) **Social Sector Engagement and Community Outreach (ENTP 4340) (3 semester credit hours)**
   - Project-based social engagement course
   - Group-style work, solving problems for non-profit partners
   - 3-credit hour graded course; a passing grade fulfills degree requirement and 3 hours of 120-credit hour degree plan
   - Does **not** require use of VOMO tracking software
   - Students must be at junior status or higher to register for this course
   - Does **not** require use of VOMO app
   - Students must be at junior status or higher to register for this course.

* MKT 4360 and IMS 4335 may be substituted for ENTP 4340.

Please see your advisor or the Jindal OutREACH office for more information.
What kinds of service will fulfill the Social Sector Engagement and Community Outreach Practicum (BA 4095) requirement?
Community service is unpaid volunteer work with a valid non-profit organization or public agency, intended to help other people within a community. It is NOT monetary donations, attending fundraising events, paid work or favors for others. Jindal OutREACH does not provide credit for projects serving political campaigns, legislative lobbying efforts, or that exclusively serve religious purposes. Community service work done through other clubs or organizations, or projects for classes, may count if it meets published guidelines. Hour submission forms and full service guidelines can be found on the Jindal OutREACH website.

Where can I find more information on community service opportunities?
Approved opportunities are posted in the Jindal OutREACH VOMO Hub. Our Community Partners are continuously adding new opportunities, so be sure to check back often. You can often sign for these opportunities directly, and hours are automatically tracked. You can also find a list of Jindal OutREACH Community Partners on our website. Jindal OutREACH Community Partners have an established agreement with Jindal OutREACH, so you can be confident the opportunities they offer meet all guidelines. Service hours outside of those listed in VOMO or served with Community Partners can be submitted for credit through the Jindal OutREACH website, pending it meets service guidelines. If you are unsure if an opportunity meets service guidelines, please feel free to contact our office via email and we’ll be happy to check. Interested in a particular area of service and do not see it on the Jindal OutREACH VOMO Hub or represented in our Community Partners? Let us know, and we’ll look for new opportunities! Send us an email at jindaloutreach@utdallas.edu

After I complete service hours, how do I get credit for them?
Hourly projects listed in the Jindal OutREACH VOMO hub are tracked automatically unless otherwise specified. Other hours served should be submitted using the form and link provided on the Jindal OutREACH website. A video tutorial is also provided on the website to assist in hour submission. Submission forms must be completed in their entirety, and should be submitted within 30 days of service.

What do I do once I have completed all 100 hours of service?
Nothing! We run hour audits at the beginning of each month. Once you have 100 hours of hours tracked in the VOMO system your name will be sent to advising for registration in BA 4095, pending any holds. You will be notified by email when your name is submitted for registration.

Can I graduate if I do not complete 100 hours of community service?
If you do not complete 100 hours of community service, you will not be registered for BA 4095. If you do not complete BA 4095, you MUST take ENTP 4340* and complete the course with a passing grade. Satisfactory completion of one of these courses is required in order to graduate, and failure to do so prior to your graduation audit will delay your graduation.

Questions? Please reach out to me!
Visit our website: jindal.utdallas.edu/outreach for additional information, or shoot me an email!

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