



**A twelve-month intensive focused on community development
Term 2011-12
Application**

Personal Info ::

First Name _____ Last Name _____ M.I. _____

Address _____ State _____ Zip _____

E-mail Address _____

Cell Phone Number _____ Cell Phone Number 2 _____

Best place to contact you to set up an interview [circle one] EMAIL // PHONE

Current Age _____ Birth Date _____/_____/_____ Gender _____

How will you be paying for CityWise? _____

List any social media listing/web addresses you are currently using ::

Twitter _____ Facebook _____

Personal website _____ Blog _____

Do you own a laptop with wireless capabilities that you will be able to have with you for the duration of the Intensive?
[Circle One] Yes // No

Do you have access to your own form of transportation & housing for the duration of the Intensive?[Circle One]Yes // No

An Educational Emphasis Track will also be available in addition to the basic course work. This track will be customized with the Program Director and tailored to the student’s passions and skill sets.

Which are you applying for? [Circle One]

Basic CityWise Intensive [25 hours per week]

CityWise Intensive with Educational Emphasis Track [30-35 hours per week]

If applying for Educational Emphasis Track please circle which Track you are interested in :

Global Cities and Urban Development

Gender and Other Power Structures

Historical Perspectives on Cities

Human and Civil Rights and Justice Issues

Mental Health and Addiction

Entrepreneurship and Small Business Creation

Other [Please generally describe area of interest]

Tell Us About Yourself ::

Please type out on a separate sheet of paper the answer to the following questions. They are numbered so you can use the corresponding number for your answer instead of re-writing the questions. Print the answers and attach to application.

1. Please list 3 activities/hobbies you are currently involved with.
2. Please describe your personality in 3 sentences or less.
3. Why do you want to participate in POLIS Institute's Community Development Intensive?
4. Describe your personal spiritual journey. Include details of your past and present relationship with God.
5. Describe any relevant experience you've had in distressed neighborhoods and/or communities.
6. What would be your personal goals as a student with POLIS Institute?
7. We want to make this experience something unique for you, what defining attributes/skills would you bring to POLIS Institute?
8. Are you currently or have you in the past, received counseling from a professional counselor and/or mental health professional? Please explain. [Please note: receiving help from mental health professionals is not viewed negatively by Polis Institute.]
9. If you answered yes, was/is the counseling experience for you positive, negative or neutral? Please explain.
10. Have you worked with others who have struggled with depression, addiction or mental health issues (friends, loved ones, or professionally)? Please explain.
11. Have you ever been convicted of an offense other than a minor traffic violation?
12. If yes, for each conviction indicate date of conviction, nature of charge, sentence received and/or types of rehabilitation.

Unique Skills and Experience ::

Please read below and answer as much as possible about any relevant skills you have. If you find that you aren't experienced in these areas, please don't let that stop you from applying.

Please circle all areas where you have experience. Please explain in detail about your skill level and experience for each.

Graphic Design	Event Planning	Health/Nutrition
IT/Web Master	Research/Clinical Background	Children & Family
Nonprofit (fundraising, grant-writing, accounting, etc.)	Law/Policy	Mental Health/Counseling
Writing	Project Management	Pastoral Leadership
	Computer/Technician	Business
Other (please specify)		

*Graphic Design: Please circle which of the following programs you are familiar with to at least an intermediate level.

Adobe Illustrator	Adobe InDesign	Macromedia Flash
Adobe Photoshop	Macromedia Dreamweaver	

*Graphic Design: Please list your online portfolio here, or email an offline version to Rebecca@polisinstitute.org with your name/online portfolio in the subject line.

IT/Web: Please describe any relevant experience you have in this area.

IT/Web: Do you have any web samples? Please list address.

*Writing: Please provide a writing sample on the theme of "God's Heart for the Poor" in 500 words or less.

*Nonprofit: Please describe any relevant experience you have in non-profit work, from planning, to fundraising and grant writing, to accounting

If you circled any other area of experience please use a separate paper to describe you relevant work. Print and attach to the application.