The SESP Field Studies Program gives students the opportunity to make solid professional contributions to an organization while benefiting from experiential learning. The one-quarter program carries 4 units of credit. Students intern at their sites for 30 hours a week and attend a weekly Practicum Analysis Seminar.

During Summer Session any Northwestern undergraduate student is able to complete the program in San Francisco (SESP 389-0 Practicum in Human Development - San Francisco) in addition to the Chicago area. Program sites expose students to the breadth and depth of issues and activities within a field. They experience new skills and responsibilities through the projects they carry out from start to finish. Their supervising mentors meet with them individually for at least one hour per week.