

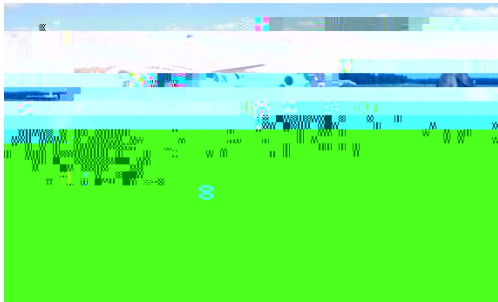
HR Consulting Initiative continues to have impact here, abroad

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Housed in Western Carolina University's Department of Human Services, the Human Resources Program's Consulting Initiative once again has made an important impact on local communities and abroad, said Marie-Line Germain, WCU associate professor of human resources and leadership.

During the 2018 spring and fall semesters, more than 90 graduate students in the [Master of Science in Human Resources Program](#) provided pro bono human resources consultation services to organizations around the country, entirely online. That activity was part the students' work in online consulting courses taught by Germain and assistant professor Siham Lekchiri. Senior MSHR students Tamya Rose (70) and Aliya (40) are among the 102

The 55 client organizations helped in 2018 ranged from North Carolina to Washington, D.C., and as far away from WCU as Sierra Leone, Africa. They also covered an array of industries, including education (musical empowerment), behavioral health, medicine (Sisters of Mercy Urgent Care, Asheville), the environment, animal welfare (Humane Society of Asheville), children's welfare (YMCA of Greensboro) and many more.



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educate, connect and advocate for North Carolina nonprofits.

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