IS 201: Service Learning

Credits 5

Quarter Offered Occasionally

This course combines meaningful service experience with selected resources, assignments and self-reflection to build real- world professional competencies. Through a service project with a local community partner, students will gain hands-on experience as it relates to their academic area of interest. This course goes beyond internships and volunteer work by empowering students to apply classroom learning to current social issues and community needs. Course meetings and activities are built around learner-centered reflection, peer discussion and field experiences for a variety of disciplines. This class may include students from multiple sections. (Elective)

Prerequisites

ENGL& 101

Course Outcomes

Develop a professional relationship with a nonprofit community partner, understanding its mission, programs, and people served, and emphasizing the social or environmental issues addressed by the partner.

Identify how theories or concepts from your area of study have contributed to your understanding about the service placement you completed and issues/problems facing the community in which you served. Articulate the value of civic engagement through reflection and building self-awareness and personal contribution to practice and community.

Demonstrate critical thinking through understanding developed during service, including the identification, framing, resolving, and readdressing of social issues or problems.

Facilitate workplace behaviors and community engagement by combining personal responsibility, initiative, communication and emotional awareness and control.

Summarize the applied learning resulting from service experience, how it will be applied in the future, and individually and collectively reflect on the personal value of that experience.