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What is It?

National Commission on Service-Learning:

"... a teaching and learning approach that integrates community service with academic study to enrich learning, teach civic responsibility, and strengthen communities."

The division of University Studies is currently integrating Service-Learning into the curriculum. This program will be run in collaboration with the Office for Student Development. The purpose of the program is to give our students a practical experience, while simultaneously providing a valuable service in the community served by the partner organizations or agencies. Our students' involvement in the community service fulfills two important components of the University Studies mission statement:

- Commitment to ongoing civic engagement
- Social responsibility

This handbook provides resources and information for faculty who are interested in integrating Service-Learning in their courses. We expect the Office for Student Development to support the development of service components of these courses. The Office for Student Development may be available to:

- Consult in syllabus revision and course development;
- Provide course-specific resource materials;
- Assist in site selection with community organizations or agencies whose needs are
- Relevant to the academic goals for the course;
- Help design appropriate activities
- Survey community partners to assure needs are being met.

Service Learning Links

- **Ghana Initiative**
 - **Presentation 1**
 - **Presentation 2**
- **Green Paw Aggies**
- **Resource Links**
 - servicelearning.org

Civic and Service Education Program (CASE)

- **All students must complete 50 hours of civic engagement to graduate**
- **Please direct questions to Lee Morgan, Student Development: 104 Murphy Hall, 334-7792**
- **Below are the necessary forms and presentation**
 - Student Application
 - Liability Release and Waiver Form
 - Volunteer Opportunities
 - Service-Learning Log Sheet
 - PowerPoint Presentation