Advocates for Community Engagement Program
Goal and Learning Outcomes

Program Goal

The Advocates for Community Engagement (ACE) Program develops socially responsible, civically engaged student leaders who facilitate quality service-learning experiences for all stakeholders and advocate for the common good of the community.

Professional Development Outcomes

1. Adapt the style and content of verbal and written communication to address diverse professional audiences
2. Develop and deliver persuasive recruitment pitches about partner organization to faculty and students
3. Collaborate with stakeholders to create service-learning projects that meet community needs and course learning outcomes
4. Describe and promote service-learning theory and pedagogy
5. Provide orientation to the mission, programs, and procedures of host organization
6. Use organization and time management techniques to manage service-learning projects and relationships
7. Facilitate various forms of reflection with peers
8. Assess the effectiveness of service-learning projects and partnerships

Character Development Outcomes

1. Demonstrate continued self-exploration of cultural humility and topics of power, privilege and oppression.
2. Exercise critical thinking when considering different perspectives and ideologies
3. Develop values and beliefs based on direct experience and personal reflection
4. Define and practice leadership as a collaborative process to promote the common good
5. Recognize privilege and marginalization in their own lives

Issues Awareness Outcomes

1. Identify the social issues prevalent in our community and, more specifically, those addressed by the host organization
2. Seek connections between, and causes of, pervasive social issues
3. Articulate the ways in which the host organization is addressing social issues
4. Identify opportunities and challenges faced by nonprofit organizations
5. Assess the nature of the relationship between the university and community