What Students Are Saying

"After completing my first semester as a graduate student, I feel compelled to thank Community Engagement at CCSU! Throughout this semester I have repeatedly come across topics that we had discussed in the Community Engagement course last year and each one of these topics is likely to help me directly in my future career. It has definitely helped prepare me for graduate school and for my future in the field of community psychology."

-Jackie, CCSU '15

"The Community Engagement Minor has allowed me to follow my passion of helping the community while teaching me what it means to be a good friend, neighbor, and citizen. My favorite part is having the chance to get outside of the classroom, and apply everything we learned to see it in action at local non-profit organizations. The classes are also so diverse, and have taught me skills that will last a lifetime!"

-Liz, CCSU '20



Examples of Community Partners







COMPASS Youth Collaborative
New Britain Police Athletics League
Prudence Crandall Center
YWCA of New Britain
Literacy Volunteers of Central CT
Art League of New Britain
Community Mental Health Affiliates
New Britain Youth Museum
Connecticut Dept. of Energy and
Environmental Protection

YWCA of New Britain

Curious?

Reach out to us!

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What's a Minor in Community Engagement About?

(Besides having fun)



Community Engagement is

a program that draws from many academic areas, equipping you to work across differences to solve problems and create possibilities in your own community and beyond. Real-world experiences combine with engaged scholarship to develop the creativity, understanding, and civic agency students need to be active agents of change in today's world.

How will this benefit me?

- Gain leadership skills and coordination experience.
- Make connections in the community.
- Develop skills and creativity to solve future problems.
- Improve your ability to analyze issues concerning social justice.
- Increase your appreciation of diversity.
- Enhance your understanding of community challenges.

Requirements to Minor in Community Engagement

(A minimum of 17 credits required from the following.)

Required Courses (8 credits):

CEN 200 Intro to Community and Civic Engagement (3 credits)

CEN 201 Practicum in CEN 200 (1 credit, taken with CEN 200)

CEN 402 Community Engagement Internship Seminar (4 credits)

...and ONE Course from:

ANTH 200 Dimensions of Diversity and Inequality CRM 245 Diversity and Criminal Justice PHIL 244 Intro to Philosophy of Social Justice SOC 212 Race, Class and Gender



Additional 6-9 credits from:

(in consultation with program advisor)

ANTH 170 Intro Cultural Anthropology ART 270* Art in Community

AST 278 Observational Astronomy

BIO 132/133 Intro Ecology/Lab

COMM 215 Intro Interpersonal Communication

COMM 343 Communication and Social Influence

COMM 451 Environmental Communication

CRM 230* Law Enforcement and Society

CRM 240 Gender, Crime, and Criminal Justice

ECON 200 Macroeconomics

ECON 321* Social Issues

ENT 301* Entrepreneurship & Venture Creation

GERO 101 Intro to Gerontology

HIST 302 Intro to Public History

HIST 403* Public History Project

HIST 405* Local History and Community Dev.

JRN 200 Intro to Journalism

JRN 370* Today's News in Context

JRN 371* Reporting Cultural Diversity

LING 406 TESOL Methods

MGT 295 Management & Organizational Behavior

MGT 403* Ethical and Social Issues for Managers

MUS 211 Ethnomusicology

PHIL 144 Moral Issues

PS 230 American State and Local Government

PSY 125* Environment and Behavior

PSY 250* Psychology of Community Service

PSY 420* Cross-Cultural Psychology

PSY 380* Psychology of Dying and Death

PSY 430* Intergroup Relations

SOC 110 Intro to Sociology

SOC 111 Social Problems

WRT 370 Creative Non-Fiction I

'Indicates a prerequisite or permission of instructor to enroll.