



## Center for Community Engagement and Social Research: Monthly Newsletter

### Upcoming Events in October to Share with Students:

10/5- Be Fearless Summit

10/8- New Britain Street Fair

10/8- Hartford Marathon

10/11- Fall Internship & Career Fair

10/15- New Britain Fire Safety Day

10/19- Homelessness Speakers @ CEN 200

10/20- Reduce, Reuse, REGISTER: Combatting Climate Change through Civic Engagement

10/20- Police Recruitment Fair

10/27- Read for the Record

10/30- Undergraduate Open House

For more info, visit our website!

### CCESR events that happened this past month...

*On Wednesday, September 14<sup>th</sup>*, CCESR set up shop at CCSU's Club Fair. Whether students are looking for an internship, volunteer placement, or research opportunity, CCESR can guide them in the right direction.

*On Wednesday, September 14<sup>th</sup>*, CCESR, Department of Criminology and Criminal Justice, and Institute for the Study of Crime and Justice met with families from the North-Oak Neighborhood at Smalley Elementary School's Open House and began survey dissemination for the "Amplifying Neighborhood Voices: Community Perceptions of Public Safety" project.

*On Friday, September 16<sup>th</sup>*, CCESR and First Year Experience celebrated Constitution Day with trivia, prizes, and lunch. Students were able to learn more about the Constitution, its history, and current civic engagement opportunities in the community.



On Saturday, September 17<sup>th</sup>, CCESR took part in The North-Oak Neighborhood Revitalization Zone and NBRJC's community clean-up. NB residents and the CCSU community gathered at Willow St Park. CCESR provided breakfast and participants spent the morning cleaning, meeting new people, and making valuable connections in the community.



### Carol A. Ammon College of Liberal Arts & Social Sciences

Professors from CCSU’s CLASS initiated the Mobile Monument Project which engages people in discussions that lead to public monument design via live and interactive street theater. The project has engaged students from the CCSU Art and Design and Theater departments, public high school students from the House of Teens at the YWCA run East Side Community Center in New Britain, and students from the Academia di Belle Arti di Venezia in Venice, Italy. The goal is to reverse power dynamics, celebrate regular citizens, and spark conversations about leaders worth being on a plinth. CCESR is proud to help support this project.



### School of Business

On September 20<sup>th</sup>, the CCSU School of Business, working with the Center for Career Development, held an Accounting & Finance Career Fair. The fair was open to current students, alumni, and outside visitors. 39 employers from various profit and non-profit businesses across the state were available to meet with the nearly 200 students in attendance. Students were able to gather information about the different businesses, employment and internship opportunities, and co-op positions.



### School of Education & Professional Studies:

The new CCSU Drop-in Child Care Center in Carroll Hall, now serving children of CCSU students aged 3- to 12-years-old, officially opened this fall. The center also will provide new experiential learning opportunities to CCSU students who are enrolled in the Early Childhood and Elementary Education programs. The center has hired 12 student assistants so far, and student assistants will remain a vital part of the center’s staff going forward.



### School of Engineering, Science & Technology:

The Computer Science Department’s Software Engineering Studio allows teams of students to solve challenging, real-world software issues brought forth by internal and external companies. Over the course of 1-2 semesters, students carry out the project from start to finish typically resulting in a prototype or functional software system.



### Athletics:

At the Annual Student-Athlete Opening Meeting, student athletes were asked to contribute donations for Maria’s Place, the food pantry on campus. Overall, the Athletics department was able to donate over 3,000 items on behalf of the 400+ student athletes at CCSU.