

Academic Affairs Manual

Definitions of a Service Learning Course and a Civic Engagement Course

1.0 POLICY

- 1.1. The definition of a Service Learning course shall be: "A course that incorporates at least 15 hours of course-related community service, civic involvement, or community-based research with reflection activities to enhance students' understanding of course content."
- 1.2. The definition of a Civic Engagement course shall be: "A course that incorporates between 3 and 15 hours of course-related community service, civic involvement, or community-based research with reflection activities to enhance students' understanding of course content, self-awareness, and civic engagement."

2.0 PURPOSE

- 2.1 Coursework involving students in local communities may benefit both students and the community. Civic engagement courses are a progression toward service learning. Students who successfully complete classes involving work in the community should receive recognition on their academic transcripts.

3.0 PROCEDURES

- 3.1 Courses meeting the requirements of this policy shall be designated in both the schedule of classes and on the students' transcripts.

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