

CIVIC ENGAGEMENT CERTIFICATE

Program code: CIVC-CC

Location: Tunxis

Program Description

The Certificate in Civic Engagement will prepare students for careers designed to positively impact the civic well-being of their communities. This will be accomplished through a diverse array of coursework and a hands-on practicum/internship focusing on sensitizing students to the needs of the community. The Civic Engagement Certificate has a multi-disciplinary curriculum designed to prepare students to communicate effectively, make sound decisions, and effect change in their communities.

The Civic Engagement certificate consists of 18 credits made up of 15 required general education courses and culminating in a 3-credit practicum which includes 80 hours of field work of the student's choosing in consultation with his or her advisor and the Director of the Civic Engagement Institute on the Farmington campus. Employers/businesses have become interested in socially responsible graduates. Students receiving this certificate meet that need and interest because they are prepared for the important role of addressing community needs and practicing civic responsibility.

Learning Outcomes

1. Define civic engagement and identify concrete examples of it both in the classroom and in the community.
2. Describe their civic activity through an internship or practicum.
3. Understand the interdisciplinary nature of required courses as it relates to civic engagement.
4. Explain some of the community needs in terms of the social problems that exist in communities across the area.

Certificate Requirements

Code	Title	Credits
Required Courses		
ENG 1010	Composition	3
POLS 1002	American Government	3
HIST 1015	US History to 1877	3
CENG 2095	Civic Engagement Practicum	3
The two electives below can be drawn from a large number of courses across disciplines. The electives will be determined by the student in consultation with the civic engagement director/coordinator.		
Directed Elective		3
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Total Credits		18