



Oklahoma | Campus Compact

Mission

Oklahoma Campus Compact (OkCC) supports the civic purpose of higher education that includes developing students as citizens. OkCC will assist member institutions in their efforts to develop citizenship skills by promoting and advancing methodologies including service-learning (SL), volunteerism, community service, and political engagement.

Background

Campus Compact is a national member organization located in Boston, Massachusetts. It was founded in 1985 by the presidents of Brown, Georgetown, and Stanford universities and the president of the Education Commission of the States who were concerned about student disengagement on campus, in the community, and in political and civic processes. There are 35 state Campus Compact offices that provide services to over 1,200 colleges and universities committed to help students develop the knowledge and skills of civic participation through involvement in public service.

Oklahoma joined the National Campus Compact network in August 2000. Thirty-seven (37) Oklahoma higher education institutions are Oklahoma Campus Compact (OkCC) members, including six private/independent institutions. OkCC members pay annual dues that are sent to the National Campus Compact office to support the network. OkCC is housed at the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education (OSRHE) and was the first State System office to form a state Campus Compact office. The OSRHE provide staffing, facilities, equipment, and a limited budget for programming. Most Campus Compact offices are located on college campuses. An Executive Committee guides the work of the OkCC.

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OkCC is a membership organization that encourages and supports its members in developing college students' awareness and skills in civic participation through service-learning, community service, and other methodologies. OkCC has an advisory committee of institutional members including faculty and administrators from member institutions.

What does OkCC do?

- ✓ **Faculty Development Initiatives** (service-learning workshops and conferences).
- ✓ **Student-led Civic Engagement** (support for student-led initiatives to increase student involvement in public life).
- ✓ **Awards** (student and faculty award opportunities are available each year for members).
- ✓ **Resource Development** (identify sources of financial support for member institutions).
- ✓ **Sub-grants** (provide funds to develop service-learning courses or initiatives that engage students).
- ✓ **Training and Technical Assistance** (assessment of members' needs and tailor workshops to program age, size, location, and specific requests).
- ✓ **AmeriCorps*VISTA State Program** (administration of state grant for 15 VISTA volunteers on various campuses).
- ✓ **AmeriCorps Students in Service Program** (150 \$1,132 education awards for students volunteering 300-hours).
- ✓ **Martin Luther King Jr. Day of Service Grant** (\$5,000 for campus projects on Jan. 17, 2011 which honor the MLK legacy).
- ✓ **Support for the Oklahoma Civic Health Index** to strengthen citizenship and increase civic participation.
- ✓ **Information Services** (provide publications and journals, serve as a clearinghouse for information on effective models of community service and service-learning, and host Regional Campus Compact Speakers Bureau online).
- ✓ **Research and Evaluation** (serve as clearinghouse of information on research and evaluation).
- ✓ **State and National Legislative Policy Advocacy** (informing about legislative developments).

2010

- ✓ March 2010 – Presentation at Langston University Service-Learning Conference
- ✓ March 2010 – Presentation to faculty at Northwestern Oklahoma State University on service-learning
- ✓ April 2010 – Workshop for Service Learning and Community Service Directors
- ✓ April 2010 – Reflection Meeting for Service-Learning Incentive Grantees
- ✓ Summer 2010 – Implementation of AmeriCorps Students in Service Pilot Program on seven campuses
- ✓ Summer 2010 – Implementation of 2011 Martin Luther King, Jr. Day of Service \$5,000 grant
- ✓ August 5, 2010 – Presentation at Rogers State University – Professional Development Workshop
- ✓ September 22-24, 2010 – Cohosting of Regional Conference in Tulsa along with Kansas and Missouri Campus Compacts
- ✓ September 2010 – Presentation to Oklahoma City University Faculty and Administration Service-Learning
- ✓ Fall 2010 – Contribution to Oklahoma Civic Health Index, published by University of Central Oklahoma
- ✓ November 2010 – Panel at the University of Oklahoma – Tulsa Community Engagement Center Conference
- ✓ October 2010 – Presentation to Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education Presidents’ Council

Ongoing Activities

- ✓ Campus visits by the Director, Assistant Director, and VISTA OkCC State Coordinator.
- ✓ Identification of funding opportunities for member campuses.
- ✓ Preparation and distribution of a seasonal newsletter.
- ✓ AmeriCorps*VISTA recruiting, site visits, and member training.
- ✓ Service as a facilitator or convener for member campuses.
- ✓ Provision of updates to constituents through presentations to the Presidents Council, Council on Instruction, Council on Student Affairs, Economic Development Council, and Communicators Council and through web sites and list serves.
- ✓ Collaboration with community and other partners to sponsor and promote workshops and advance OkCC’s strategic plan.

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