



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 who were concerned about student disengagement on campus, in the community, and in political and civic processes. There are 34 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-three (33) 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 (State Regents) and was the first State System office to form a state Campus Compact office. The State Regents 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 VISTA volunteers on various campuses).
- ✓ **Information Services** (provide publications and journals, and serve as a clearinghouse for information on existing on effective models of community service and service-learning).
- ✓ **Research and Evaluation** (serve as clearinghouse of information on research and evaluation).
- ✓ **State and National Legislative Policy Advocacy** (informing about legislative developments).

2008-2009 Events/Activities/Support

- ✓ July 28 – August 1, 2008 – Financial Support for Intensive Training/Professional Development for Three (3) Service-Learning/Community Service Directors.
- ✓ Summer 2008 – Distributed Complete Sets of the Michigan Journal of Community Service Learning (14 vols.) to Each Institution.
- ✓ Fall 2008/Spring 2009 – Faculty Workshops to be Announced.
- ✓ Fall 2008/Spring 2009 Semesters - Service-Learning Incentive Grants.
- ✓ August 12, 2008 – Presentation at Rogers State University for Faculty In-Service Training.
- ✓ September 2008 – VISTA Member Mid-Year Training at Oklahoma Campus Compact.
- ✓ September 2008 – 2008 Campus Vote Initiative Voter Registration and Participation Activities.
- ✓ September 15, 2008 – American Democracy Project Civic Engagement Workshops at the University of Central Oklahoma.
- ✓ September 25, 2008 – Visit to Tulsa Community College Outreach Center.
- ✓ September 15-19, 2008 - Voter Registration Contest on College Campuses, with 16 Institutions Participating and New Record Set.
- ✓ December 2008 – Executive Committee and Council of Presidents.
- ✓ December 2008 – Presentation of Carter Academic Service Entrepreneur Awards.
- ✓ December 2008 – Presentation by the Chancellor to the University of Oklahoma, Rose State College and Langston University for Winning the 2008 Voter Registration Contest.
- ✓ February 2009 – Oklahoma Participation in Imaging America Tenure Track Initiative Conversation in Missouri
- ✓ Spring 2009 – Committee to Assess the Impact of 2008 Campus Vote Initiative.
- ✓ Spring 2009 – Workshop for Service Learning/Community Service Directors.

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.
- ✓ Self-Assessment on the Institutionalization of Service Learning report and Annual Membership Survey.
- ✓ Provision of updates to constituents through presentations to the Presidents Council, Council on Instruction, Council on Student Affairs, 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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