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OKCC Newsletter

Fall 2019

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Twelfth Annual Oklahoma Service Learning Conference

Join your fellow academics in Tulsa at the 2019 Oklahoma Service Learning Conference:

Intersections of Collaboration in Community Engagement

Friday, November 8th

Tulsa Community College - [West Campus](#)

Registration Opening Soon - No Fee



The Oklahoma Service Learning Conference is sponsored annually by a consortium of institutions led by Langston University, Oklahoma City University, the University of Oklahoma, Oklahoma State University, Redlands Community College, Tulsa Community College, and by Oklahoma Campus Compact, to provide a day of faculty-led scholarly peer-reviewed service-learning sessions, and interaction with a community partners' panel. Register now for this opportunity to share your knowledge and experience and to network with colleagues.

Keynote

Dr. Robin Saha

Associate Professor of Environmental Studies at the University of Montana

2016 Recipient of the Thomas Ehrlich Civically Engaged Faculty Award



Robin Saha, Associate Professor of Environmental Studies at the University of Montana, is the 2016 Recipient of the Campus Compact Thomas Ehrlich Civically Engaged Faculty Award. The award is bestowed annually to recognize one faculty for exemplary leadership in advancing student civic learning, conducting community-based research, fostering reciprocal partnerships, building institutional commitments to engagement, and enhancing higher education's contributions to the public good.

Saha's deeply engaged scholarship sits at the intersection of environmental justice and health policy, emphasizing advocacy for marginalized communities. His nationally

recognized work shed light on the water crisis in Flint, Michigan, and has been cited in *Fortune Magazine*, the *Boston Globe*, and *Huffington Post*. He has also been recognized for his local community-based participatory research, involving empowering disenfranchised communities to take active roles in data collection and advocacy to achieve significant environmental management improvements.

In addition to being a leading scholar in the environmental justice movement, Dr. Saha has spent his career integrating partnerships into his pedagogy, research, and community activism. Saha consistently engages his students in real-world environmental problems and connects them with affected communities. Beyond his work in the classroom, Saha has also advocated for the importance of community-engaged scholarship within the Montana University system. He works to create opportunities for both faculty and students to promote community engagement, including being a founding member of UM's Service Learning Advisory Board, as well as being involved in the creation of a climate change studies minor known for its engaged curriculum.

The award is named in honor of Thomas Ehrlich, former chair of the Campus Compact board of directors and president emeritus of Indiana University, and is generously sponsored by the KPMG Foundation.

Community Engagement Professional (CEP) Credentialing Program Update

Campus Compact's [Community Engagement Professional Credentialing Program](#) will provide civic and community engagement professionals an opportunity to gain formal recognition for the knowledge and skills they develop through their careers.

The Community Engagement Professional Credentialing Program offers a framework for community engagement professionals to grow and achieve in the field. By encouraging practitioners to reflect on and deepen their knowledge, skills, and critical commitments, we will strengthen our network of campus and community leaders in ways that yield better results for students, institutions, and communities.



Earn Micro-Credentials - eventually micro-credentials will be available in 15 core competency areas that are key to success in higher education civic and community engagement. The first two micro-credentials are available now:

- Community Engagement Fundamentals
- Community Partnerships

Based on requests from community engagement professionals seeking to earn micro-credentials through the CEP Credentialing Program, **Campus Compact has developed two national-level Communities of Practice, to begin in October 2019, that are designed to support individuals applying for the micro-credentials in Community Partnership & Community Engagement Fundamentals.**

Coming next: Engaged Research micro-credential

2020 Campus Compact National Conference

Registration is open for Campus Compact's 2020 national conference *The Promise of Full Participation: Democracy, Opportunity, Voice*. See [HERE](#) for information on the **March 29-April 1, 2020 event, hosted at the Hyatt Regency Hotel in Seattle, Washington.**



Compact20 is the largest and most inclusive national conference focused on the role of higher education in building democracy and healthy communities. Sessions explore topics such as civic engagement, community-engaged research, civic- and service-learning, institutional change, university-community partnerships, and more.



Keynote Speaker

Eric Liu

CEO, Citizen University and Civic Evangelist

"Democracy works only when enough of us believe democracy works," says Eric Liu. How do we rekindle that belief? Join in Monday, March 30 for the keynote.

OPPORTUNITIES

Oklahoma League of Woman Voters Shelia Swearingen Memorial Scholarship

The League of Women Voters is offering the Shelia Swearingen Memorial Scholarship for the 2020-2021 academic year. The Sheila Swearingen Scholarship program seeks to identify students who will make a significant contribution to society. Applicants must demonstrate leadership potential and have made an impact on the community through service to others.

The scholarship consists of \$1,500 each semester, awarded upon proof of enrollment. Applicants should be a junior or senior undergraduate or graduate student at an Oklahoma institution studying in a field related to public policy, government or environmental studies. The application period opens October 1, 2019 and closes December 20, 2019. A committee made up of members of the League of Women Voters will choose the recipient from the qualified applicants. The recipient will be selected by February 21, 2020 and announced at the League's annual fundraiser in April or May 2020. Applications and questions may be submitted to lwvscholarship@gmail.com, or via mail to the League of Women Voters, 1910 South Lewis Avenue, Tulsa OK 74104.

Humanities Community Engaged Post Doc Grant

Grinnell College was recently awarded a \$1,000,000 grant from The Mellon Foundation part of which is intended to help fund and design new gateway and community-engaged courses in the humanities (broadly defined as social studies, the traditional humanistic fields, and the arts). The Grinnell recipients are looking for innovative and successful programs from which all may learn. Do you have any suggestions regarding innovative programs in the humanities in your areas? **Contact** Emily Shields, Executive Director, Iowa Campus Compact at eshields@compact.org.

Postdoc Position for this Program

Grinnell College: Mellon Community Engaged Learning Fellow

RESOURCES

Campus Compact 2019 National Webinar Series



Campus Compact's webinar series is back for the 2019-2020 academic year. Campus Compact's webinar series takes the great and varied work happening on the ground around the country and **brings it straight to your desk**. They are **free-of-charge** to people at member institutions, but you must register in advance to receive the access link to participate. To learn more and register, visit [compact webinar series](#). Topics touch on issues of relevance to faculty, staff, students, and their partners in education and community building. Each session has information, tools, and resources to help you in your work. All webinars are at **2 p.m. CST**. Did you forget to catch one of last year's national webinar series? Check out the library of webinars on Campus Compact's [YouTube channel](#).

Campus Food Insecurity in Oklahoma

Thank you again to the Regional Food Bank of Oklahoma, the Community Food Bank of Eastern Oklahoma, and Tulsa Community College and the University of Central Oklahoma for presentations on **Collaboration on Food Insecurity on Campus and in the Community** at the Oklahoma Campus Compact 2019 Summer Workshop July 29th. In addition to the [Past Conference/Workshop Info](#) found on the OK Campus Compact website, other resources may be found on the Campus Compact Knowledge Hub on [Supporting Retention Through Food and Housing Security](#). Finally, a post-workshop compilation of responses in August - early September 2019 to an OKCC statewide query of its members, show that 28 campuses either currently host or are planning to host a food pantry, and 12 campuses either host or are planning to host a clothes closet (see Table on next page).

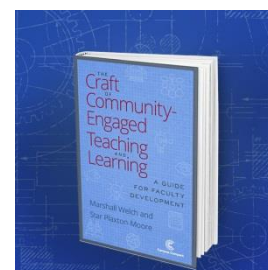


Oklahoma Higher Education Food Pantries and Clothes Closets by Campus Compiled by Oklahoma Campus Compact, 2019			
Campus	Food Pantry	Clothes Closet	Notes
With Community Food Bank of Eastern OK (Tulsa)			
Northeastern A&M Miami Campus	X	X	
Northeastern State University Tahlequah Campus	X	X	
Tulsa Community College Metro Campus	X		
Tulsa Community College Northeast Campus	X		
Tulsa Community College Southeast Campus	X		
Tulsa Community College West Campus	X		
Tulsa Community College Education Outreach Cntr	X		
Connors State College	X	X	Planning
With Regional Food Bank of OK (Oklahoma City)			
Langston University	X		
Oklahoma City Community College	X	X	
Redlands Community College	X		
Rose State College	X	X	
University of Central Oklahoma	X	X	
University of Oklahoma	X		
University of Science and Arts of Oklahoma	X		
East Central University	X	X	Planning
Oklahoma Panhandle State University	X	X	Planning
Oklahoma State University	X		Planning
Seminole State College	X		Planning
With Indirect Food Bank / Alumni Association			
Cameron University	X	X	Lawton FB-RFBO
No Food Bank Association			
Murray State College	X		
Northeastern State University Broken Arrow Campus	X	X	
Northwestern Oklahoma State University	X	X	
Oklahoma State University Institute of Technology	X		
Oklahoma State University -Tulsa	X	X	
Rogers State University	X	X	
Southeastern Oklahoma State University	X		
Western Oklahoma State College	X	X	
	Food Pantry	Clothes Closet	
Total Campuses w/ Existing	23	11	
Total Campuses in Planning	5	3	
TOTAL CAMPUSES	28	12	

New Publication: The Craft of Community-Engaged Teaching & Learning

By Marshall Welch and Star Plaxton-Moore

Based on extensive research, the book provides a blueprint for designing, implementing, and assessing a community-engaged course, advancing the craft to prepare for promotion and tenure, and becoming a citizen-scholar and reflective practitioner. It is available at the [Campus Compact bookstore](#).



Campus Compact Podcasts



Compact Nation Podcast is back from summer vacation. Season 4 episode 1, “**Does this Census Spark Joy?**” is out now. Listen in to a discussion of the importance of the census through a conversation with Susan Brower, the Minnesota State Demographer. Never miss an episode: make sure you’re subscribed in Apple Podcasts, Stitcher, Spotify, or your favorite podcast app.

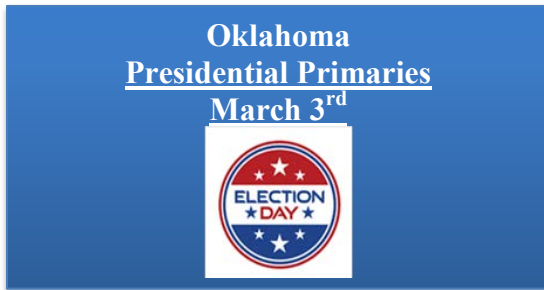
Listen now and weigh in online at [#CompactNationPod](#)

CIVIC EDUCATION

OKCC Voter Registration Contest

Creating Lifetime Citizens through Civic Education

Colleges and universities are vital agents and architects of preparing students for democratic citizenship. The current Voter Registration Contest **ends October 11th**, with **campus results due to Oklahoma Campus Compact by 5:00 p.m., Friday October 18, 2019**. Please give contact Debbie Terlip at OKCC at dterlip@osrhe.edu if you have questions for your campus.



Last year 21 institutions participated in this event, registering a total of 3,244 students to vote. Our record remains over 5,331 students in 2008. Let’s begin building activities and culture leading into the presidential primary and general election next year. The contest includes a component for out-of-state students to register in their home state and be counted. A total of 8 awards will be presented at a State Regents meeting.

All In Campus Democracy Challenge Webinar

All In is offering an interactive webinar to learn more about participating in the [ALL IN Campus Democracy Challenge](#). The ALL IN Challenge is a national, nonpartisan initiative recognizing college campuses for improving civic learning, political engagement and voter participation. The webinar will include information about participating in the program. There will also be an opportunity for Q&A.

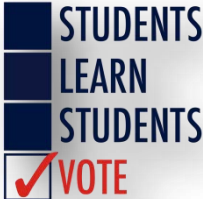
All In Webinar / October 22, 2019 / 2:00 – 3:00 p.m. CDT

[Register here](#)

All In recognizes colleges and universities for their commitment to increasing student voting rates. Its national award program encourages institutions to help students form the habits of active and informed citizenship. Hundreds of colleges and universities have joined the Challenge and have committed to making democratic participation a core value on their campuses. **Oklahoma members of All In:** Northeastern Oklahoma State University, Oklahoma City University, Rogers State University, Southwestern Oklahoma State University, University of Central Oklahoma & the University of Oklahoma.



Additional Civic Learning Resources

- ❖ Interested in a comprehensive **road map** to building civic education through voter participation at your institution? **Strengthening American Democracy Guide**, by the **Students Learn Students Vote Coalition (SLSV)**, is just such an instrument for developing an action plan to increase civic learning, political engagement, and voter participation among college students. Who are the members of the SLSV Coalition? Founded in February 2016 to design and advance a shared agenda around student voting and political learning in higher education, the SLSV Coalition is comprised of almost 400 nonpartisan organizations from across the country, including NASPA and the AASCU American Democracy Project.
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- ❖ **Jump on the bandwagon, and don't let your students miss this vital education at a critical time in their education - voter participation is a growing trend.** In a comparison of 42 states (including Oklahoma) researched by the Center for Information & Research on Civic Learning and Engagement (**CIRCLE**) at Tufts University, the youth voter turnout in the 2018 general election increased over the to 2014 youth voter turnout in every single state. The youth voter turnout in Oklahoma increased by 11.1%, from a dismal 8.5% in the 2014 general election, to a turnout of 19.6% in 2018. In some states the youth turnout increased by more than 20 percentage points. In the majority of all states the CIRCLE examined (32 out of 42 states), the increase in youth turnout exceeded the increase in turnout among the general (all ages) electorate (however not in Oklahoma).
 - ❖ The Institute for Democracy & Higher Education at Tufts University has published **Democracy Counts 2018**, reporting on data collected through its **National Study of Learning, Voting and Engagement (NSLVE)**. NSLVE consists of a database of more than 10 million deidentified student records that have been combined with publicly available voting records for the general elections since 2012. Participating institutions include two- and four-year public and private colleges and universities, including graduate programs. Campuses must opt in, and at the time of this report, 1,031 colleges and universities in all 50 states and the District of Columbia participate in NSLVE. NSLVE contains a diverse mix of city, town, suburban, and rural institutions. Participating NSLVE campuses receive customized, detailed reports containing their students' aggregate voter registration and voting rates broken down by student demographics, academic level, and field of study. **Oklahoma member institutions of NSLVE:** Cameron University, Langston University, Northeastern State University, Southwestern Oklahoma State University, the University of Central Oklahoma, the University of Oklahoma and the University of Science and Arts of Oklahoma.



Census 2020

The Decennial Census provides a unique opportunity for civic learning and participation. It is a process that is critical to our communities. Courses in a range of disciplines may engage the census as an opportunity for civic learning. The census pertains to questions of public health, the digital divide, education, economic development, and much more. Census work also offers employment opportunities for students. Here are some critical resources on the process and impact of the Census:



Campus Compact Census 2020 Podcast

[Compact Nation Podcast](#)

Counting for Dollars 2020: The Role of the Decennial Census in the Geographic Distribution of Federal Funds

<https://gwipp.gwu.edu/counting-dollars-2020-role-decennial-census-geographic-distribution-federal-funds>

Confidentiality Fact Sheet

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1YTJXIOqdr2jM-6OK5zlPX5ufWilraSnx/view>

There are a number of temporary job opportunities for the Census. The Census Bureau is recruiting people across the country to assist with the 2020 Census count.

<https://2020census.gov/en/jobs>

American Library Association Job Recruitment Toolkit

<http://bit.ly/LibraryCensusHiring>

Census Job Recruitment Toolkit

<https://2020census.gov/content/dam/2020census/materials/partners/2019-03/2020-recruitment-toolkit.pdf>

Messages to resonate with historically undercounted communities – See example from Minnesota

<https://mcf.org/mn-census-2020-communication-and-mobilization-plan>



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