OPPORTUNITIES

Oklahoma Community Engagement Positions

Please share both of these position announcements with all interested parties.

**Community Engagement and Extension Coordinator**

**Oklahoma State University**

Oklahoma State University is searching for a new Community Engagement and Extension Coordinator. This position will serve as Community Engagement and Extension Coordinator for the College of Education, Health and Aviation, and the College of Human Sciences Office of Extension, Engagement and Continuing Education. Qualified applicants should apply **before January 30, 2020**. The position announcement is located on the OSU website at: [https://okstate.csod.com/ats/careersite/JobDetails.aspx?site=8&id=7697](https://okstate.csod.com/ats/careersite/JobDetails.aspx?site=8&id=7697)

**Executive Director for Oklahoma Campus Compact and Director of Student Affairs and Diversity**

**Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education**

The Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education are seeking to fill a position with responsibilities in four areas:

- Operate Oklahoma Campus Compact as Executive Director (civic and community engagement)
- Organize and coordinate the State Regents Council on Student Affairs initiatives and activities, including, but not limited to, the Leadership Academy, Mentoring Program, and Student Leadership Retreat
- Organize, guide and administer the Student Advisory Board and Oklahoma Student Government Association, and work on student issues
- Promote diversity and inclusion in higher education.
Although there is no application deadline (the position will remain open until filled), for continuity and excellence the State Regents hope to fill the position as soon as possible. See full information on the OSHRE website at: 

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Newman Civic Fellowship Awards

The 2020 nomination period for the Newman Civic Fellowship is open. The Newman Civic Fellowship is a yearlong program that recognizes and supports community-committed students at Campus Compact member institutions. Campus Compact member presidents and chancellors are encouraged to nominate one current student from their institution on the basis of their motivation for community engagement and potential to create long-term social change. The nomination deadline is February 3, 2020. OK Campus Compact will invite all Newman Civic Fellows to be recognized at an Oklahoma State Regents spring meeting, and will award a $500 scholarship (awards may be prorated, depending on the number of Fellows).

Students may be undergraduate or graduate, but must be currently enrolled with at least one year left in their degree programs (students planning to transfer are acceptable as long as a student will still be enrolled at an educational institution for the following academic year). Only one student may be nominated per institution. Nominations are accepted through the Campus Compact online nomination form. Questions may also be directed to fellows@compact.org.

Member institution presidents, and chief student affairs and academic officers have received this information directly from Campus Compact. See past Oklahoma Newman Civic Fellows.

National Inventory of Institutional Infrastructure for Community Engagement (NIICE)

Chancellor Glen D. Johnson has sent a communication to each institutional president urging each institution to participate in an annual survey of its community engagement work, and requesting each president to designate someone to lead this endeavor using the National Inventory of Institutional Infrastructure for Community Engagement (NIICE or NIIICE). Until 2017 Campus Compact conducted an annual membership survey to assess the current state of campus-based community engagement and to identify emerging trends, however Campus Compact has discontinued its traditional member survey in favor of participation in the NIIICE.

The NIIICE is a free online inventory designed as a tool for collecting data about the inputs an institution has related to community engagement (see NIIICE Overview). To date nearly 170 institutions have completed the inventory, creating a growing database that allows comparisons with comparable institutions and a “best practice” metric based on the Carnegie Classification for Community Engagement and the professional literature. The NIIICE can inform strategic planning and decision-making. A PDF version of the entire survey is available for download and reference. Participation in this survey is voluntary and confidential. The data from all surveys will become part of a confidential research database where all institutional identifying information will be
Additionally, opting to share your submitted data confidentially with Oklahoma Campus Compact (OKCC) through the mechanism provided in the survey online will enable OKCC to produce an aggregate state report for its members (no institutions will be identified.) All though there is no time limit, collection of data for a state aggregate report will be facilitated if institutions can complete the survey by mid-April. Please contact Ms. Debbie Terlip, Executive Director of Oklahoma Campus Compact, at (405) 225-9128 or dterlip@osrhe.edu, with any questions or concerns.

Campus Compact Impact Awards

Campus Compact is now accepting applications for the Nadinne Cruz Community Engagement Professional Award and the Richard Guarasci and Eduardo J. Padrón Awards for Institutional Transformation. Applications are due January 7, 2020.

❖ The Nadinne Cruz Community Engagement Professional Award recognizes an exemplary Community Engagement Professional who has demonstrated collaboration with communities focused on transformative change, a commitment to justice-oriented work, and an impact on the larger movement to build ethical and effective community engagement locally, regionally, nationally, and internationally. The award is named in honor of Nadinne Cruz, an innovative leader of community-based experiential learning and a pioneer of the movement for the public purposes of higher education. The Nadinne Cruz Award celebrates the ethical leadership and advocacy demonstrated by Community Engagement Professionals.

❖ The Richard Guarasci and Eduardo J. Padrón Awards for Institutional Transformation recognize institution-wide efforts to address issues of public concern by aligning teaching, research, practice, and values in service of the common good. Each year Campus Compact will identify up to six recipients. Both four-year and two-year member institutions will be recognized. The awards are named for higher education leaders whose efforts have transformed their institutions to contribute to the goal of full participation in our communities and our democracy.

CIVIC EDUCATION

2019 All In Democracy Challenge Awards

Big congratulations to Southwestern Oklahoma State University, honored for outstanding contributions to improving college democratic engagement in the ALL IN Campus Democracy Challenge, with the Bronze Seal for campuses with 20-29% voter participation in the 2018 Midterm Election! The ALL IN Campus Democracy Challenge is a national, nonpartisan initiative supporting and recognizing colleges and universities working to increase nonpartisan
democratic engagement. Nationally, more than 550 colleges and universities are participating in the ALL IN Challenge, which is a program of Civic Nation. The ALL IN Seal Awards are benchmarks in college student voting rates. The Challenge recognizes institutions for their commitment to increasing student voting rates, helping students form the habits of active and informed citizenship, making democratic participation a core value on their campus, and cultivating generations of engaged citizens who are essential to a healthy democracy. Most notably, ALL IN works to recognize participating colleges and universities for making a commitment to increasing student voting rates, which is possible through campus participation in the National Study of Learning, Voting, and Engagement, or NSLVE, a study with more than 1,000 participating institutions of higher education.

**OK Campus Compact Voter Registration Awards**

On December 5th eight institutions were recognized at the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education for outstanding performances in 6 categories of student voter registration. In all, 15 members of Oklahoma Campus Compact participated by registering 2,374 in-state and 175 out-of-state students, for a total of 2,549 students, to vote during the Contest. This is a higher number of registrants than 2017, the most recent off-election year.

The following institutions were awarded for registration of in-state students:

**DEMOCRACY (institutions 1 to 1,500 FTE)**

**Winner:** Eastern Oklahoma State College at 12.2%

**Runner Up:** Seminole State College at 8.6%

*Eastern Oklahoma State College holds a 10-year record as winner of the Democracy institution group.*
**LIBERTY (institutions 1,501 to 3,000 FTE)**
Winner: Langston University at 11.5%
Runner Up: Northern Oklahoma College at 3.0%

Langston University has won the Liberty group for three years running.

**EQUALITY (institutions 3,001 to 7,000 FTE)**
Winner: East Central University at 9.4%
Runner Up: Rose State College 5.9%

East Central University holds a 6-year streak of triumphing in the Equality group.

**INDEPENDENCE (institutions 7,001 to 30,000 FTE)**
Winner: University of Oklahoma at 2.4%
Runner Up: Oklahoma City Community College at 2.0%

The University of Oklahoma has topped the Independence group for the last three years.
Two institutions were awarded for registration of out-of-state students:

**STARS** (highest number students)  
University of Oklahoma at 124

**STRIPES** (highest proportion students)  
Seminole State College at 42.0%

Seminole State College set a new record for the proportion of out-of-state students registered to vote in their home states.

Oklahoma Voting Summit

The University of Oklahoma is using a grant from Students Learn Students Vote to support students at our colleges and universities to develop action plans that increase students’ democratic engagement, and encourage faculty, staff, and students to work collaboratively across campus. OU will host a one-day, non-partisan event for two students and one faculty, staff, or administrator to come together to share best practices, gain new resources, and to plan for 2020 and beyond on **Saturday, August 8, 2020**. Oklahoma Campus Compact is a partner. The grant will fund participants travel and food. Watch for invitations in the spring!

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2020 Campus Compact National Conference


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.

**Receive $250 Off Registration through the Deliberative Dialogue Partnership with Net Impact**

Any faculty member/community engagement professional/student from a Campus Compact member institution who hosts a dialogue using select [National Issues Forum Institute guides](#) on their campus prior to Campus Compact’s [Compact20 national conference](#) will receive $250 off of their registration. Eligible guides include *A Nation in Debt* (focus on the national debt) and *A House Divided* (focus on the partisan divide in Congress).

Deliberative dialogue is an effective pedagogical tool for building student capacity to listen respectfully to the ideas of others and to engage in both constructive and critical discussion of public questions. Campus Compact is partnering with Up to Us, a leading program from Net Impact, to bring deliberative dialogue into the classroom.
Planning for OKCC Spring Workshop

Plans are afoot for the next OKCC Workshop. First off – can we even find a date in the spring for maximum participation, or should we wait for summer? This issue is under discussion for the agenda:

- Community Engagement Staff Beginner’s Track – to deal with turnover, lack of continuity
- Communities of Practice, Campus Compact’s [professional credentialing program](#)
- NIIICE Survey – for those tapped by their president (see attached memo from Chancellor Johnson)
- Topical Issues Groups – transportation issues, campus food/clothes pantries, supporting organization for student voting, etc.
- Community colleges

Coming in 2021

**Midwest Campus Compact Conference**

May 25 - 27, 2021
St. Louis University
St. Louis, Missouri

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**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].

**2020 US Census**

Read a Census Bureau [interview] with the University of Maryland, College Park, about the importance of institution’s of higher education work in the 2020 Census.

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