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 membership 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 helping students develop the knowledge and skills of civic participation through involvement in public service.

Oklahoma Campus Compact (OkCC)

Oklahoma joined the National Campus Compact network in August 2000. Thirty-six (36) 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) Academic Affairs Division 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.

What does OkCC do?

Provide essential services to members who are interested in fostering civic engagement, enhancing student learning, and engaging in the community. Examples of these services include:

- **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, faculty, and institution/community partner recognition).
- **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** (Campus Compact webinars, assessment of members’ needs and tailor workshops to program age, size, location, and specific requests).
- **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).
2012-2013 Sponsored Activities and Grants

✓ October 5, 2012 – Session on Civic Engagement, Student Leadership Retreat, Oklahoma City.
✓ October 11-12, 2012 – Heartland Conference in St. Louis, Missouri – Sponsored by Missouri, Kansas, and Oklahoma Campus Compacts, and second annual OkCC Awards for Community-based Teaching and Scholarship, Engaged Professional, and Community/Campus partners.
✓ December 2010 & 2012 Oklahoma Civic Health Index, published by University of Central Oklahoma.
✓ January 2010-2013 – Martin Luther King Jr. Day of Service grants
✓ March 2013 – Civic/Community Engagement Workshop, with science focus.
✓ April 2013 – Recognition for Newman Civic Fellows at State Regents meeting.
✓ August 2013 – Science Education for New Civic Engagement and Responsibilities grants
✓ September 16-20 – Voter Registration Contest
✓ September 2013 – 2013 Campus Compact Heartland Conference hosted in Tulsa, OK with Kansas, Missouri, and Nebraska Campus Compacts.
✓ September 2013 – Presentation of Annual OkCC Awards for Engaged Professional, Community/Campus Partners, and Community-based Teaching and Scholarship.
✓ March 2014 – Civic/Community Engagement Workshop, Best and Emerging Practices
✓ April 2014 – Recognition of 15 Newman Civic Fellows at State Regents meeting with $500 scholarship award

Ongoing Activities

✓ Campus visits by the Director and Assistant Director.
✓ Campus Compact Annual Membership Survey
✓ OkCC’s Strategic Plan with Advisory Committee.
✓ Campus Vote Advisory Committee meetings.
✓ Executive Committee meetings.
✓ Annual report.
✓ Identification of funding and professional development opportunities for member campuses.
✓ Preparation and distribution of a seasonal newsletter.
✓ Service as a facilitator or convener for member campuses and volunteer organizations.
✓ Provision of updates to constituents through presentations to the Council of Presidents, 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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