

PRACTICUM 096: COMMUNITY SERVICE & LEARNING Fall 2016 SYLLABUS

COURSE DESCRIPTION

As part of your enrollment in a Shriver Center service-learning placement, you will be enrolled in PRAC 096, a zero-credit, Pass/Fail course. This provides a record of your participation in a University sanctioned service-learning opportunity.

GRADING DESCRIPTION

Students who meet all of the requirements listed below will earn a Pass (P) grade in Practicum 096, including a notation on their transcripts. Students who fail to meet the requirements of Practicum 096 by the posted deadlines will earn a Fail (F) grade. Incomplete (I) grades will not be granted unless specifically requested by the student prior to the last day of classes (Tuesday, Dec. 13th) and are assigned at the discretion of the student's designated Service-Learning Coordinator. Please talk to a Program Coordinator if you have any questions.

APPLIED LEARNING THROUGH SERVICE

"Service-Learning is a form of experiential education in which students engage in activities that address human and community needs together with structured opportunities for reflection designed to achieve desired learning outcomes." (Dr. Barbara Jacoby, Service-Learning in Higher Education, 1996) Accordingly, key principles of Service-Learning are reflection and reciprocity.

The Student Learning Outcomes for Practicum 096: Community Service & Learning are:

- Increase awareness of community assets and needs
- Enhance sense of civic responsibility
- Strengthen critical thinking/problem-solving skills through critical reflection
- Increase self-confidence and competence
- Promote leadership development
- Explore skills needed to advocate for themselves and others

096 PRACTICUM INFORMATION

Task	Due date
Complete Blackboard Orientation Quiz	BEFORE you begin at your service site , as a "refresher" or to gain an understanding of professional expectations.
Participate in 3-5 hours of community service per week (unless otherwise indicated). Students are expected to attend their site weekly and consistently.	Tuesday, Dec. 13th
Complete Service Learning Expectations and Learning Objectives Form with your Service-Learning Coordinator or service site supervisor. http://shrivercenter.umbc.edu/096-community-service-learning-practicum/	Friday, Oct. 14th
Complete the Basic Info profile on UMBCworks. Click on EDIT underneath your current service placement. This will take you directly to the Basic Exp. Learning Information screen. Add more information to the screen; do not create a new profile (as the current one is already approved). To complete your Evaluations and Semester Report, click on the grey circles to the right of your experience on the Exp. Learning homepage.	Friday, Oct. 14th

Complete <u>all</u> Service-Learning Reflection Questions on Blackboard. Responses should be at least 200 words in length.

- Students must click "<u>SUBMIT</u>" for their entry to be received and for full credit to be given. Clicking "SAVE" will not submit the entry to Blackboard, and no credit can be given for these entries.
- To ensure that your question has been submitted correctly, click on "My Grades" in Blackboard. These icons represent the status of your submission:

Other Information:

- Check mark: You have successfully completed your Blackboard responses (for Reflections 1 - 10). The responses are anonymous. You will see a check mark by your name after it is completed instead of a point value.
- Green exclamation point: You have successfully "SUBMITTED" your Blackboard response. If the entry meets the length requirements (at least 200 words), you will receive full credit for this response after it is graded.
- Clipboard: You have "Saved" your response but <u>NOT</u> submitted it to Blackboard. No credit will be given to "SAVED" responses. Return to your response, open it, and click "SUBMIT."

Reflection Question 1: Sunday, Oct 2nd, 2016

Reflection Question 2: Sunday, Oct. 9th, 2016

Reflection Question 3: Sunday, Oct. 16th, 2016

Reflection Question 4: Sunday, Oct. 23th, 2016

Reflection Question 5: Sunday, Oct. 30th, 2016

Reflection Question 6: Sunday, Nov. 6th, 2016

Reflection Question 7: Sunday, Nov. 13th, 2016

Reflection Question 8: Sunday, Nov. 20th, 2016

Reflection Question 9: Sunday, Nov. 27th, 2016

Reflection Question 10: Sunday, Dec. 4th, 2016

Attend 2 Reflections Sessions.

Student Coordinator Led Site:

- You will complete these reflections with your Site Team.

Not a Student Coordinator Led Site:

 You will need to attend two sessions from the series of 3 on the right that are facilitated by Service-Learning staff. A student <u>cannot</u> attend two reflections in the same series.

If you do not attend any Reflection Sessions (including Student Coordinator Led):

You <u>must</u> complete an Alternative Reflection Assignment. This will be sent out during the semester from the S-L Staff.

Complete **Student Evaluation and Placement Evaluation** on UMBCworks. http://www.careers.umbc.edu/umbcworks

Submit **Service-Learning Time-Sheet** as a record of service hours. Access time-sheet: http://shrivercenter.umbc.edu/096-community-service-learning-practicum/

Series One Dates:

- Monday, Oct. 17th: 12-1p in PUP 107
- Wednesday, Oct. 19th: 12-1p in PUP 107

Series Two Dates:

- Monday, Nov 7th: 12-1p in PUP 107
- Wednesday, Nov 9th: 12-1p in PUP 107

Series Three Dates:

- Monday, Nov. 14th: 12-1p in PUP 107
- Wednesday, Nov. 16th: 12-1p in PUP 107

Tuesday, Dec. 13th

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