



CENTER for
CIVIC ENGAGEMENT

Civic Engagement Faculty Resources 2014-2015

New from the CCE for 2014-2015:

- **CE Course Information Session** during each advising season. Watch for an announcements on date/time.
- **CE3T** – Civic Engagement 3:00 PM Tea, every other Wednesday starting September 3rd – reading group for research and other scholarship related to civic engagement. Contact Stephanie if you are interested – stok@pacificu.edu.
- **CE Affinity Group** – 1:00 pm on 3rd Thursdays of the month (after CAS meeting). Regular meeting for faculty and staff with civic engagement interests. Chocolate will be available. Contact Stephanie if you are interested – stok@pacificu.edu or just show up in Scott Hall 110 for the chocolate.
- **Service Saturdays** – ongoing service opportunities for small groups (in lieu of a single day of service). Great for a class or club! Contact Bevin if you are interested – bevin@pacificu.edu.

Stay tuned for:

- Announcements about CE faculty workshops/presentations (possible topics include “Integrating CE into Faculty Scholarship” and “CE Faculty Panel”)
- CE Faculty Guide
- CE community partner / faculty wine & cheese event
- Civic Engagement Quality Standards
- CCE Fall newsletter

Announcements:

Civic Engagement Course Development Mini-Grant - Proposals due Friday, 11/14

The mini-grant is for \$525 in professional development funds and involves attending a workshop in January to prepare a civic engagement course for the 2015-2016 academic year. Applications will be available to download from the CCE website in October.

2014 Election Voter Registration Drive

As part of our Pacific Votes program, the CCE is partnering with student groups on campus to promote nonpartisan voter registration. If you are willing to give a student 5 minutes of your class time to make a spiel about voter registration to your students, please contact Alex (hatc5971@pacificu.edu) or Pablo (niev8281@pacificu.edu). Do it for democracy!

The Civic Scoop

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Get PUMPed and Inspire Local Youth!

By Amy Smetana,
AmeriCorps Mentor Program Coordinator

The Pacific University Mentor Program (PUMP It Up!) inspires talent and unlocks youth potential in local schools through dedicated mentoring. Mentors benefit professionally, personally, and can fulfill their CE Cornerstone.

Samantha Walsh, a school partner at Fern Hill Elementary illustrates her students' excitement at having Mia as a mentor:

"My students stop me in the hallway at least 10 times every week and ask if Mia will be at Explorer's Club for that week. After I assure them that she will be there, they nearly

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always jump up and down with excitement or pump

their first and very loudly whisper 'YES!' or 'SWEET!'"

Whatever you are passionate about, you can find a way to share it with local youth as a mentor. You'll discover that your mentees will inspire you more than you could imagine!

Mentors provide academic and social support, college and career planning, and creative outlets for mentee expression through music and writing. Our presence gets students from 4th to 12th grade excited about education and their futures.

PUMP It Up! is a well-rounded program that trains and supports its team of mentors so they can reflect, grow, and have fun as a group that's passionate about student achievement.

Find out how to be a mentor this year by stopping by the CCE or e-mailing pumpitup@pacificu.edu

Leadership Development and Project Support

By Jordan Kronen '14 and Stuart Leijon '15

The CCE provides numerous opportunities for students to develop their leadership skills. Students are always welcome and encouraged to bring their own project ideas to the CCE staff for support, but are urged to lead the trip/adventure/project themselves! We love to provide advice and resources, but we are looking to push

students and help them gain valuable leadership experience.

If you are interested in starting a project but are also stuck, the CCE provides a great resource to get some traction back in your tires. Even if you don't know where to begin on your project, come by the CCE so that we can help you take the next steps.

Grow Healthy Food!

Did you know Pacific grows organic food and has a sustainability demonstration site for the community? B Street Living Museum is about a mile away from campus—you can get your hands dirty, pet some bunnies, or enjoy the gardens when you volunteer, work, take a class, or visit B Street. Find out what's going on at [facebook.com/bstreetlivingmuseum](https://www.facebook.com/bstreetlivingmuseum).



Help Promote Equality

By Jordan Kronen '14

Last fall, I organized a petition-gathering canvass for the legalization of same-sex marriage. I collaborated with organizations at Pacific and with the main campaign in the state, Oregon United for Marriage (OU4M). To recruit volunteers, I created flyers and hung them around campus and tabled in the University Center three times a week for a month. Due to its close proximity to Thanksgiving, we coined the day of action "Give Thanks for Equality." Momentum was surging as we were able to get the event posted on the Events in Portland website.

I was able to recruit twelve volunteers and after a fun, yet chilly day at the Portland Farmer's Market, we accumulated over 250 signatures. It is meaningful work and opportunities like this at the Center for Civic Engagement that allows students to engage and grow.

Come Work in the CCE!

The CCE is hiring for our Model Citizen program. Work study allocation is not required. Model Citizens work on CCE programs, develop their own civic engagement initiatives, and support each other's efforts as a team. Model Citizens make at least a 10-hour a week commitment. For more information, stop by the CCE in Scott Hall 110 or email cce@pacificu.edu.

Upcoming Events

Thursday, August 28th, 11:00 AM-1:00 PM, UC:

Fall Work & Service Fair

Representatives from local agencies will be on campus to meet you. Find a work study position (on campus or off-campus Community Service Work Study) or volunteer position. Come check it out!



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