COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT ACTIVITIES at UofL

2015-16 SNAPSHOT

1,503 community engagement activities\(^1\) were reported by academic & administrative units in 2015-16

Community partnership and collaboration are core elements of the University of Louisville’s mission. Whether it is working with students in local public schools, helping to provide services in underserved neighborhoods, or building stronger communities internationally, UofL is committed to collaborating with partners to improve quality of life in places both near and far. UofL Community Engagement projects break down into the following categories:

- **310 instances of PARTNERSHIP**
  Ongoing collaboration with community partners for the mutually beneficial exchange of knowledge and resources in a context of partnership and reciprocity.

- **518 instances of OUTREACH**
  Providing direct services, time, or resources to benefit a community or its institutions. This includes instances of public intellectualism such as talks, lectures, presentations, performances, etc.

- **633 instances of CURRICULAR ENGAGEMENT**
  Describes the teaching, learning, and scholarship that engages faculty, students, and community in mutually beneficial and respectful collaboration.

- **42 instances of ENGAGED SCHOLARSHIP**
  Scholarly work done in full partnership with the community. It consists of research, teaching, and the application of scholarship for the mutual benefit of the institution and community partner.

**Student, Faculty, and Staff Engagement**

Through the projects taking place during the 2015-16 academic year, faculty, staff and students worked with local, state-wide, national and international communities in engaged teaching, research and service.

- **23,343 Instances of student engagement\(^2\) with 538,895 hours of service**
- **2279 Instances of faculty engagement\(^2\)**
- **2112 Instances of staff engagement\(^2\)**

**International Service & Scholarship**

UofL students are engaged in experiential learning and service projects from Argentina to Vietnam, and faculty work with a range of international research partners around the globe.

- **47 ACTIVITIES IN NATIONS ACROSS THE GLOBE IN 2015-16**

**The Signature Partnership Initiative**

UofL’s Signature Partnership Initiative, is a University-wide effort to enhance the quality of life, educational and economic opportunity for residents of West Louisville.

The goal is to work with a wide range of community collaborators to improve the education, health, quality of life, and social status of individuals and families living in our urban core.

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\(^1\) As of 2015-16 we are adding more specificity by categorizing different types of community engagement activities in further alignment with definitions provided within the Carnegie Community Engagement Classification process. The categories, Partnership, Outreach, Curricular Engagement, and Engaged Scholarship, are described above.

\(^2\) These numbers represent instances of service and may reflect a duplicated head count for faculty, staff and students; but does not represent a duplication of service.

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