



Exploring the Civil Rights Movement: History and Modern Context

TBR Diversity Conference: September 29, 2016

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SERS Grant Goals

- Off-setting the financial cost of participating in first-year experience/welcome initiatives at the University (specifically QUEST for Success and Preview) for students living in the Living-Learning Communities
- Creation of new programming initiatives with LLC faculty and staff to integrate learning in the residential environment
- Partnership with the Office of Community Service & Greek Life Programs to engage LLC residents in an immersive servicelearning experience connected to the Civil Rights Movement



Essential Learning Outcomes

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Beginning in school, and continuing at successively higher levels across their college studies, students should prepare for twenty-first-century challenges by gaining:

* Personal and Social Responsibility, including

- · Civic knowledge and engagement-local and global
- · Intercultural knowledge and competence
- · Ethical reasoning and action

· Foundations and skills for lifelong learning

Anchored through active involvement with diverse communities and real-world challenges

\star Integrative and Applied Learning, including

· Synthesis and advanced accomplishment across general and specialized studies

Demonstrated through the application of knowledge, skills, and responsibilities to new settings and complex problems



Teaching and learning practices that have been widely tested and have been shown to be beneficial for college students from many backgrounds.

Kuh, G.D. (2008) . High-Impact Educational Practices: What They Are, Who Has Access to Them, and Why They Matter.



Courses and programs that help students explore cultures, life experiences, and worldviews different from their own. These studies – which may address U.S. diversity, world cultures, or both – often explore "difficult differences" such as racial, ethnic, and gender inequality, or continuing struggles around the globe for human rights, freedom, and power.





Service-Learning

"A form of experiential education in which students engage in activities that address human and community needs together with structured opportunities intentionally designed to promote student learning and development"

Jacoby, B. (1006). Service-learning in higher education: concepts and practices.

"Can be an ideal activity to pair with other high-impact activities to lead to even greater gains for students because it is a powerful integrative tool...it focuses students on "real" world (unscripted problems and issues, and broadens students' thinking about what it means to be a part of a community beyond the campus."

Brownell, J., & Swanger, L. (2009). High-impact practices: Applying the learning outcomes literature to the development of successful campus programs.





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- Encouraging participation in Active Citizenship Boot Camp
- Student leadership
- Identifying partnerships for learning across organizations



Return Trip for 2017

Heading back for spring 2017; will look to focus more specifically on incarceration of youth and community justice with Common Ground Montgomery





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