

COMMUNITY-ENGAGED LEARNING Fall 2021 COURSES

Community-Engaged Learning is an experiential approach to teaching and learning that links academic study and community-engaged work so that each is strengthened—and both are transformed.

Characteristics of Community-Engaged Learning courses:

- Rigorous academic learning
- Meaningful and appropriate community-engaged project work that meets community-identified needs
- Guided critical reflection
- Reciprocal and mutually beneficial partnerships and collaborations

Courses will appear with the following notation in the schedule of classes:

Community-Engaged Learning (CEL) = all students in the course are required to participate in community-engaged work

Community-Engaged Learning Option (CELO) = students have a choice to participate in community-engaged learning as a final project and/or in lieu of a comparable project.

Course #	Course Name	Faculty	Description
COMM 2242* (2 sections)	Alcohol, Addiction, and Culture	Wills	Students engage with local high school students, working together to strategize ways to talk about alcohol use and alcoholism and develop action plans that can help us all involved think, talk, and act with our own health and the health of our community in mind. CEL
CPSC 2304# (2 sections)	Web Development	Rusu	Students engage in semester-long team projects that assist local nonprofit organizations. The techniques and methodologies studied in the course will be applied to designing and developing real-world web applications, providing valuable learning opportunities. CEL
DATA 3260	Database Systems	Ozcelik	Students work with nonprofit partners to design and develop database and information management systems. CEL
ECON 3235*~	Economic Development	Aksan	Students explore issues of poverty and economic development to explain differences in living standards across countries. Students work on a semester-long research project to support water, sanitation, and hygiene initiatives being implemented by the Catholic Medical Mission Board (CMMB). CEL
EDUC 2201^ (2 sections)	Explorations in Education: Teaching, Learning, and Schooling	Storms & Germain-Williams	Students explore the social construction of teaching and learning by assisting in classrooms at Cesar Batalla School in Bridgeport. CEL
EDUC 5437 (Sec. 02)	Developing Literacy in the Elementary School: Primary Grades	Colwell	Students will explore literacy methods while engaging Language Arts classrooms in Cesar Batalla School in Bridgeport. CEL

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ENGL 1720*^+#%	Literacy and Language	Bowen	Students participate in tutoring pairings with elementary school students at Cesar Batalla School in Bridgeport, observing and engaging with children's literacy development. CEL
ENGL 1839^	Grant and Proposal Writing	Sobocinski	Students will write grants for several local nonprofits to support the growth and development of the organization's programs in line with its mission. CEL
MATH 4980	Internship	McSweeney	Students mentor the members of the afterschool Math Club and Mathletes at Fairfield Woods Middle School. CEL
NURS 7611	Population Health	Mager	Students will work with their community partners to establish sustainable, evidence-based interventions to address the identified health concern in a geographic area or population. CEL
PHIL 1101^%	Introduction to Philosophy	Labinski	In partnership with the Green Village Initiative, students will work with local experts in urban farming. CEL
POLI 2472*~	Politics of Humanitarian Action	Leatherman	Students will research contemporary issues in the global refugee crisis and present their findings to staff at the Connecticut Institute for Refugees and Immigrants. CEL
PSYC 2150	Developmental Psychology for Majors with lab	Primavera	Students support classrooms in literacy work and mentoring at the Early Learning Center at Hall Neighborhood House. CEL
PUBH 2201	Public Health Disease and Injury	Schindler-Ruwisch	In partnership with Caroline House, students will offer a series of health-focused workshops for local women and mothers. CEL
SP 3231N#	Career-Oriented Spanish for Nursing and Health Studies	Hernandez	Students engage in interpreting opportunities and translation projects at the Hope Dispensary, a low-cost pharmacy. Students explore the complexities of culturally defined concepts of health and wellness beyond word-for-word translation through service learning opportunities. CEL
SWRK 3303	Social Policy and Social Justice	Neitlich	The course explores policy within the context of social justice issues including oppression, poverty, income inequality, immigration, healthcare disparity, pollution, criminal justice, and other issues that affect individual and social wellbeing. Students will work with local social service agencies to understand the role of social workers as agents of change in developing and advocating for social policies that meet the needs of clients. CEL

To learn more about the Center for Social Impact's Community-Engaged Learning Program:
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