



SERVICE LEARNING AND CIVIC ENGAGEMENT THROUGH HIGHER EDUCATION

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DEVELOPING COLLABORATIVE AND IMPACTFUL SERVICE-LEARNING PROJECTS ACROSS COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES WITHIN A STATE

ABSTRACT:

This presentation provides a how to for educators interested in developing multi- institution collaborations that address important needs through a service-learning lecture and project-based class. The presentation describes the process of building these higher education collaborations, as well as connecting with government and non-profits for support and uses examples from three courses to show how these efforts can contribute to locally relevant solutions for some pressing needs in the state.

THEMATIC FOCUS: SURPRISING COLLABORATIONS | LEARNING THE CHORDS | LISTENING CLOSELY

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