



SERVICE LEARNING AND CIVIC ENGAGEMENT THROUGH HIGHER EDUCATION

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## **SL CHECK-IN CHATS BUILDING MEANINGFUL CONNECTIONS AND ENGAGEMENT IN SERVICE-LEARNING**

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### **ABSTRACT:**

This interactive workshop introduces "SL Check-In Chats," a one-on-one approach to engaging students in meaningful conversations about their service-learning experiences. By fostering honest dialogues outside the classroom, these chats provide valuable insights into student learning and growth. Participants will gain practical tools and strategies to implement this approach at their own institutions, enhancing student engagement in service-learning, particularly in today's challenging environment.

**THEMATIC FOCUS: LEARNING THE CHORDS | RESONANCE**

### **BIO(S):**

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Ms. Rogers has been teaching at East Tennessee State University since 2018 and is currently pursuing a PhD in Adult & Continuing Education at the University of Tennessee, Knoxville. She holds a BA in Psychology, an MA in Human Services Counseling, and an EdS in Counselor Leadership. With a background in nonprofit, volunteerism, and community engagement, she serves as Chair of the Tennessee Service-Learning Consortium. Passionate about lifelong learning, Ms. Rogers enjoys connecting with students and supporting their growth as future life-long learners in all aspects of their lives.

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