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SERVICE LEARNING AND CIVIC ENGAGEMENT THROUGH HIGHER EDUCATION

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ABSTRACT:

Service Learning (SL) enhances civic and social engagement by connecting classroom content to real-world challenges. In this hands-on session, faculty and student co-leaders will share a template, tools, evaluation pieces, and key lessons learned from integrating SL into college courses. Participants will engage in activities demonstrating SL's impact and will learn to implement it in their own curricula. Evaluation tools include pre- and post-session surveys to assess participants' understanding and confidence in applying SL strategies effectively.

THEMATIC FOCUS: LISTENING CLOSELY | PLAYING AROUND

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