



Campus Compact

“Before I started working in community service-learning, I was one of those people who didn’t have much of a social conscience. Now all of that has changed, and I say, **‘Put me in the trenches to do the real work to make a difference.’**”

—STUDENT SERVICE-LEARNING LEADER, UNIVERSITY OF SAN DIEGO

Campus Compact is a national coalition of more than 1,100 college and university presidents who are committed to fulfilling the civic purposes of higher education. Campus Compact provides leadership, resources, and advocacy to support civic education, community building, and campus engagement.

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educating citizens building communities

A Major Force in Higher Education

For two decades, Campus Compact has led a growing movement to ensure that students graduate with the knowledge and experience to tackle society’s most pressing issues. Through a combination of national advocacy and on-the-ground initiatives, we help more than 1,100 member colleges and universities achieve this goal by embedding community and civic learning into campus life.

Why does this work matter? When campuses engage with their communities, everyone benefits. Communities get needed skills and resources. Campuses reap public visibility and support. Students gain real-world experience that enriches their academic learning while giving them the skills and inspiration to work toward a better society.

Incredible Value for Campuses and Communities

Campus Compact’s approach encompasses a broad range of initiatives designed to help campuses enhance student learning while meeting community needs:

- Ground-breaking print and online resources with information on managing service programs, building community work into the curriculum, developing student leaders, and more.
- Funding and awards for campus work to improve community life.
- Research on effective programs and practices in campus-based service, service-learning, and civic engagement.
- Information sharing across our member network through our national and state offices.
- Training to help students, faculty, and staff connect with community partners, organize and fund initiatives, and recruit support both on and off campus.
- Leadership development opportunities for presidents and other campus leaders.
- Capacity building for community work through VISTAs and infrastructure support.
- Advocacy for campus engagement among legislators, the media, college ranking bodies, accreditation boards, foundations, and others.
- Partnerships with academic, community, business, and government leaders.

Campuses that want to apply their vast academic knowledge in ways that will make a real difference turn to **Campus Compact**.

“I know of no other educational organization that has a track record like **Campus Compact’s** over the past 20 years...

It is a phenomenal success, not just in terms of growth in numbers, but in terms of **the impact** it’s had **on communities, on campuses, and on individual lives.**”

— FRANK RHODES
FORMER PRESIDENT
CORNELL UNIVERSITY

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“I have always had a drive to serve others and work for the common good. But I never fully realized that I could go beyond volunteerism—that my opinion and hard work could influence policy decisions.

My views changed when I sat in the office of one of my legislators in Washington, DC.”

—AMANDA COFFIN
UNIVERSITY OF MAINE AT
FARMINGTON

Our Numbers Tell a Compelling Story

WHAT WE’VE ACCOMPLISHED

- Over the past 20 years, Campus Compact has engaged **20 million** students in service and civic engagement programs.
- Campus Compact’s publications, conferences, and workshops have helped **tens of thousands** of faculty, administrators, and community service staff establish effective programs.
- Campus Compact state offices around the country offer more than **\$10 million** a year in scholarships and postsecondary aid for students involved in service.
- Campus Compact’s network encompasses **35 state offices** offering local and regional support to members.
- Since its inception in 1985, Campus Compact has grown from 4 members to more than **1,100** colleges and universities that are committed to serving their students, their communities, and their society.

WHAT OUR MEMBER CAMPUSES HAVE ACCOMPLISHED:

- Students at Campus Compact member schools contribute more than **\$5.7 billion** and **282 million hours** in service each year through campus programs addressing issues such as literacy, hunger, homelessness, health care, and the environment.
- More than **30%** of students at member schools are engaged in service through campus-organized initiatives—a threefold increase in the past eight years.
- Nearly all members—**98%**—have established partnerships with one or more community organizations.
- More than **90%** of members incorporate community work into the curriculum through service-learning.
- More than **85%** have one or more staff members dedicated to coordinating community efforts.

“Campus Compact is inspiring a **new era of civic engagement** within higher education, and more importantly, introducing **a new dimension of learning** into our students’ lives.”

— EDUARDO PADRÓN
PRESIDENT
MIAMI DADE COLLEGE

To learn more about what we do and how you can get involved, go to **www.compact.org.**

Numbers and figures cited in this report are from Campus Compact’s annual survey of its members on campus. The reports are available online at www.compact.org/statistics.