OVERVIEW

Civic engagement involves "working to make a difference in the civic life of our communities and developing the combination of knowledge, skills, values and motivation to make that difference. It means promoting the quality of life in a community, through both political and non-political processes" (Excerpted from Civic Responsibility and Higher Education, edited by Thomas Ehrlich, published by Oryx Press, 2000, Preface, page vi.)

Community engagement is a subset of civic engagement whereby faculty/staff/students partner with the community to achieve the above definition. Partnership with the community involves a mutually beneficial exchange of knowledge and/or resources in a context of reciprocity for the purpose of contributing to the public good.

Annual civic engagement reporting is being conducted to:
- Contribute to the comprehensive story about ISU’s community engagement.
- Elevate faculty engaged scholarship, teaching, and service as well as student engagement.
- Promote greater improvements in interdisciplinary and campus-community collaborations centered around the communities’ most pressing issues.
- Support fundraising and development efforts.

Reporting will be open and ongoing with annual deadlines aligning with the University’s faculty performance evaluation review/annual productivity report timeline which requests faculty reports on or near January 5.

Faculty/Staff who are primary instructors of record of a class have access to Watermark Faculty Success (formerly Digital Measures) to report any curricular civic engagement with students as well as any civically engaged scholarship/research and public service.

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WATERMARK FACULTY SUCCESS (formerly Digital Measures)

Watermark Faculty Success will be used to report civic engagement within for-credit classes and directed student learning experiences as well as faculty scholarship and public service. It can be accessed by visiting https://www.digitalmeasures.com/login/ilstu/faculty/app

Curricular/Co-Curricular Civic Engagement Reporting

To report any civic engagement within a class, visit the “Scheduled Teaching” and/or “Directed Student Learning” screens under the Teaching category.

Scheduled Teaching

Faculty/Staff who are the primary instructor of record of a class will see their classes listed under the “Scheduled Teaching” screen.

To report a community partnership with any of those classes, click on the class and answer the “Community” questions found beneath the class information. Add partnerships for that class by selecting the number of partnerships and clicking the “+Add” button.

If the class did not work with a community partner, but experienced another form of civic engagement, check the “Civic Engagement” tag at the bottom of the page. Please also check this box if there was a community partnership.

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Directed Student Learning

Faculty/Staff who are not the primary instructor of record for a class (such as clinical instructors who facilitate laboratory or clinical site experiences) and do not have the class listed under “Scheduled Teaching” can report their community partnerships and civic engagement in the “Directed Student Learning” screen.

Faculty/Staff who are advisors for registered student organizations can also report on any co-curricular civic engagement they helped facilitate with their student group. Complete relevant questions about the class/experience.

If there was a community partnership for this student experience, complete the community questions. Add partnerships by selecting the number of partnerships and clicking the “+Add” button.
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If the student(s) did not work with a community partner, but experienced another form of civic engagement, check the “Civic Engagement” tag at the bottom of the page. Please also check this box if there was a community partnership.

Tags/Keywords □ Civic Engagement
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□ Cultural Diversity

Faculty Civically Engaged Scholarship Reporting

To report any civic engagement within faculty scholarship, visit the “Intellectual Contributions/Publications,” “Intellectual Property,” and/or “Presentations” screens under the “Scholarship/Research” category.

If community was partnered with at any point in the production of a publication, patent/copyright, or presentation, please answer the following questions. Add partnerships by selecting the number of partnerships and clicking the “+Add” button.

These questions are available on all three screens listed above. If there was no community partnership, but there was another form of civic engagement, check the “Civic Engagement” tag. Please also check this box if there was a community partnership.

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PLEASE NOTE: Grants, contracts, and sponsored research involving community partners are already collected via Cayuse. If a performance/exhibit or a grant, contract, fellowship, or sponsored research involved any civic or community engagement, please check the “Civic Engagement” tag on the relevant screen.

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Faculty Public Service Reporting

No additional questions were added to the “Public Service” screen under the “Service” category. Please check the “Civic Engagement” tag after answering the relevant questions about any public service with community.