

Civic Engagement Office Mission

The Civic Engagement Office is dedicated to helping students become more active in the greater Cornell community and strives to prepare students to be lifelong servant leaders. The CEO is committed to supporting the mission of Cornell College by providing opportunities for students to become more educated about social issues and engaged in their communities.

Goals

The Civic Engagement Office will:

- Provide relevant training to all long-term volunteers and student leaders in CEO programs, including Lunch Buddies, GIRLSS Group and MENtoring, Alternative Spring Break, Colleges Against Cancer, and ICAP.
- Incorporate intentional opportunities for group and individual reflection, debriefing, and self-assessment for students leading CEO programs, as well as for ICAP members and Alternative Spring Break participants.
- Partner and collaborate with the Career Engagement Center to provide opportunities for students to engage in experiential learning.
- Enhance relationships between the college and community partners by increasing student commitment and accountability to their volunteer experience.

Learning Outcomes

As a result of their experience, Civic Engagement Office staff members will be able to:

- Identify the leadership, communication, and career-related skills they've developed through this experience and articulate how those transfer to the world of work.
- Articulate the development of their personal philosophy of civic engagement.
- Collaborate with other campus organizations and constituents to further the mission of the CEO.
- Communicate steps and strategies for leading and mobilizing a group or committee of volunteers.
- Describe the community need and/or social issue their service experience addressed.

As a result of their experience, ICAP members will be able to:

- Identify the leadership, communication, and career-related skills they've developed through this experience and articulate how those transfer to the world of work.
- Articulate the development of their personal philosophy of civic engagement.
- Describe the community need and/or social issue their service experience addressed.

As a result of their experience, Alternative Spring Break leaders will be able to:

- Identify the leadership, communication, and career-related skills they've developed through this experience and articulate how those transfer to the world of work.
- Distinguish volunteerism from social justice.
- Articulate the development of their personal philosophy of civic engagement.
- Communicate steps and strategies for leading and mobilizing a group or committee of volunteers.
- Describe the community need and/or social issue their service experience addressed.

As a result of their experience, Colleges Against Cancer Chairs will be able to:

- Identify the leadership, communication, and career-related skills they've developed through this experience and articulate how those transfer to the world of work.
- Communicate steps and strategies for leading and mobilizing a group or committee of volunteers.
- Describe the mission, purpose, and services of the American Cancer Society and the why the need for such an organization exists.