

Learning College Pillars
Updated Status 2005-2006

Team: Service Learning

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Initial Charge from 2003	Current Status 2005-2006
1. Develop a rationale to support implementing this initiative (brief narrative)	Service Learning is a pillar of the Learning College at MC. Coordination at the collegewide level needs to continue to be strengthened to ensure institutionalization of Service Learning.
2. Who needs to be brought into this discussion and how? (Units, governance groups, support centers)	Community organizations such as Montgomery County Volunteer Bureau, Montgomery County Mental Health Association, and others should be brought into this discussion through the establishment of a community agency-based Resource Advisory Board. Engage these additional community organizations as partners and as Service-Learning sites for MC students.
3. Who needs to be added to your group as members? (List suggestions)	Added to the group should be Service-Learning faculty and front-line staff as well as community partners: Current Service-Learning faculty (one each from all three campuses), Student Life Directors from all three campuses, AmeriCorps Coordinator(s), and other front-line staff as appropriate.
4. What are some possible options or strategies for implementation? (Collegewide model descriptions)	Continue collegewide Information sessions. Expand Professional Development activities for faculty and staff.
5. What is a feasible draft timeline for implementation? (Pilot)	By 2007, Service Learning will be well established on all three campuses - institutionalized.

<p>6. What barriers do you anticipate for implementation? (Institutional and resources)</p>	<p>Operating funds for staff and related office expenses will be a major barrier if unsuccessful in obtaining them through the strategic planning and budgeting process due to higher priority items.</p>
<p>7. What resources do you anticipate will be required? (Ballpark is fine, or categories of need)</p>	<p>Current staff costs have been identified that will eventually need to be transferred from grant funds to the operating budget.</p> <p>AmeriCorps positions have been expanded to each campus but will need sustained funding.</p> <p>Office space and support needs will continue to be clarified and solidified.</p> <p>Collegewide coordination will need to continue to be strengthened.</p> <p>A Resource Board needs to be established to provide a broader community perspective.</p>
<p>8. What are the next steps to move this initiative forward?</p>	<p>Continue collegewide awareness campaign—January 18 collegewide meeting, Learning College Conversations, etc.</p> <p>Continue to incorporate identified needs into strategic planning and budgeting processes.</p>
<p>9. What do you need from the Executive Vice President's office?</p>	<p>Continue your strong support of Service Learning through future Strategic Planning and budget processes.</p>
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<p>10. What are your Current Next Steps?</p>	<p>Invite faculty and front-line Service Learning staff to join the Orange Team.</p> <p>Develop a process and assign leadership for the purpose of establishing a community agency-based Resource Advisory Board.</p> <p>Begin identifying FY08 Strategic Planning Objectives and Budget Request items.</p> <p>Develop implementation plan to accomplish 2006 Service-Learning Goals.</p>

<p>11. Identify proposed collegewide activities.</p>	<p>Present to all other color pillar team leaders the potential value of Service Learning to their team efforts for the purpose of exploring collaboration.</p> <p>Continue to hold invitational meetings at each campus to encourage faculty to participate in Service-Learning professional development activities for the purpose of learning how to incorporate Service Learning into their courses.</p> <p>Provide support of Student Life Directors as they work with student clubs to incorporate Service Learning into student club activities.</p> <p>Ensure that Service-Learning website link is updated and maintained.</p>
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