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Civic and Global Leadership (CIVC)

CIVC 200 Introduction to Civic and Global Leadership (4)

An interdisciplinary examination of the theoretical and analytical tools essential for an understanding of civic engagement and leadership. Topics focus on typical problems faced in the context of community change, including, but not limited to, framing social issues; qualitative and quantitative field research methods; socioeconomic, cultural, political, and global structures underlying poverty; the social change model of leadership development; human capabilities perspective; and cross-cultural communication. Open only to students pursuing curricular certificates in civic and global leadership.

CIVC 310 Philanthropy: Theory and Practice (2)

An introduction to the theory and practice of philanthropy. Using the history and philosophy of philanthropy in North America as a foundation, this course examines giving and grant-making processes and their effects on institutions and society. Assumptions about giving are interrogated in order to establish meaningful criteria for evaluating organizations and grant supported projects. This course also provides insight into the nonprofit sector, specifically organizations working in rural communities.

CIVC 400 Civic and Global Leadership Capstone (4)

Integrating theory, methods, and analytical tools central to academic approaches to civic engagement and leadership with their concentration coursework, students in this seminar work with faculty and site supervisors to design and complete a semester-long research project to address a specific problem that emerged during the course of their practicum experiences. Restricted to students pursuing the certificate in civic and global leadership. Open only to students pursuing curricular certificates in civic and global leadership. Prerequisite: CIVC 100 or CIVC 200.

CIVC 410 Philanthropy Practicum (2)

In this practicum, students administer a grant program in collaboration with the South Cumberland Community Fund. Students solicit, review, and evaluate grant proposals; conduct interviews and site visits; and award grants to community organizations in the tri-county (Franklin, Grundy, and Marion) area of the South Cumberland Plateau. Prerequisite: Only open to students admitted to the Office of Civic Engagement's Philanthropy program..