



Service-Learning

SERVICE-LEARNING REFLECTION ESSAY

DUE THURSDAY, APRIL 30

Submit essays online via S-L Laulima Site

The final requirement for Service-Learning is an **end of semester essay** in which you reflect upon your service and learning in the community and in the course. A quality reflection essay leads to the awarding of a Service-Learning Certificate. A high quality reflection can lead to student employment and leadership opportunities.

The reflection you produce demonstrates to your instructor and the Service-Learning office what you learned from your service experience. Independent of your instructor's assessment, Service-Learning will evaluate your reflection using a rubric assessment methodology. Results of the assessment will be made available to you and your instructor upon request at the beginning of the semester following the one in which the essay is completed.

Requirements

If your instructor has given you a specific reflection guide to use, please use that guide and give the Service-Learning office an electronic copy of the paper--via Laulima--you prepare for your instructor.

If your instructor does not give you a specific guide, discuss your experience by answering the guiding questions listed below.

Essay Format

Length: 3-5 pages

Format: Typed, double-spaced, 12 point Times New Roman font

File format: LastName_FirstName_Site.doc (Please avoid .docx files)

Ex. Orozco_Melisa_PaloloEl.doc

Title Page: Include your name, course, instructor, service-learning site, number of hours served

GUIDELINE QUESTIONS

In your essay, address the following questions:

1. What is the community need your service helped address?
2. How did your course and your service experience help you understand the underlying societal causes of this issue? How do you look at this community issue differently than before your service-learning experience?
3. Based on your service-learning experience, what are possible solutions to this issue? What do you see as your role in the collective effort to solve this or other community issues?
4. Summarize the impact service-learning has had on your personal and professional growth.

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