MARQUETTE UNIVERSITY
SERVICE LEARNING PROGRAM
What is Service Learning?

- An academic program part of the Center for Teaching and Learning
- Students complete community service related to their courses
- Enrich students’ academic learning, personal growth, and sense of civic responsibility

- Content Knowledge
- Skill Development
- Values Development
Why Do Service Learning?

Hands-on experience that you cannot get from a classroom setting alone.

Gain a better understanding of social justice, inequality, and different cultures.

Grow and develop professional skills you can use in your future vocation.

Create positive impact within Milwaukee and your own education by working with and building relationships with local organizations.
What is expected of you...

• **18-20 hours** of service throughout the semester, (about 2-3 hours per week).

• You must complete the **entire semester** through the last week of classes, even if you meet your hours requirement early.

• Keep your **course learning objectives** in mind to make the most of your experience. If you are having a hard time making connections, **ASK** your professor or site contact.

• Follow the **rules and expectations of the sites**. This includes dressing appropriately, completing necessary trainings and or background checks, etc.
More Expectations…

- Register **ON TIME**
- Ask questions **BEFORE** it is too late
- Check Email Daily
- Working With Community Partners
  - Take a “No Savior” Mentality
  - Building Relationships
  - Communication
  - Attitude
  - Commitment/Level of Engagement
  - PhoneUsage
Transportation and Safety

- L.I.M.O. does not travel outside the normal route.

- More resources for directions to your site:
  - www.ridemcts.com
  - http://maps.google.com

- Make use of the Ride MATC app to help schedule your bus routes. Your Student Coordinator can also help to arrange carpools.

- Whenever you travel to a part of the city that is unfamiliar to you, be aware of your surroundings. Watch the Service Learning Safety Video prior to your site orientation at: http://www.marquette.edu/servicelearning/safety.shtml

- Safety resources:
  - DPS Non-Emergency 414-288-6800
  - DPS Emergency 414-288-1911

- Other resources if willing to pay:
  - Lyft, Uber, Taxi
COVID-19 Safety Update

COVID is still a thing yall!

Some sites may require a COVID vaccination.

Vaccination or no vaccination, students must adhere to any mask mandates, capacity limits, and PPE requirements at organizations and follow all safety guidelines provided by the organization.

Some sites may continue offering virtual service learning opportunities in addition to in-person opportunities.

FYI: Community partners are still pivoting, figuring out a new normal, and playing “catch up”.
As part of Ignatian pedagogy, reflection both allows students to discuss their experiences and challenges them to “dig deeper” and increase their awareness of social injustices.

All reflection details can be found on our website at: http://www.marquette.edu/servicelearning/ReflectionSessions.shtml

Students can register/RSVP for Reflection Sessions through their service learning course on MUEngage:
- Only RSVP for 1 Reflection Session
- Students who register have seat/space priority
- Register NOW for reflection sessions through MUEngage
- If a reflection session is offered twice-please only sign-up and attend one of the sessions. Do not attend the same topic, twice.

Note: Introduction to Service Learning and Our Milwaukee Community, was created especially for students new to Service Learning. In this session you will be introduced to the program and have a chance to ask questions that you may have after you register for service learning.
Spring 2022 Reflection Sessions:

Introduction to Service Learning and Our Milwaukee Community

R1: Empathy and Pity: Demonstrating Compassion and Care with Community

R2: Positive Thinking: Asset-Mapping and Strengths-Based Approach

R3: Unpacking Stereotypes Around Immigration

R4: Childhood Trauma and its Long-term Impact on Communities

R5: Your Calling: Your Role in Ending Injustice

Please remember to RSVP for your choice of sessions through your service-learning course on MUEngage

Please only register for 1 reflection session. If you would like to attend 2, please notify the Service Learning Program

Arriving more than 15 minutes late or leaving more than 15 minutes early will not be counted as a reflection attendance.
Important Dates

Registration Starts:
Wednesday, Feb 2nd at 12:00pm

Registration Ends:
Wednesday, Feb 9th at 5:00pm

The Service Learning Program staff will be in the office ready to take phone calls or emails on February 2nd for students having trouble registering on MUEngage. Students can still call or email any time Monday-Thursday 9am-6pm or Friday 9am-4pm.
Registration

We have instructions on how to register properly for service learning and we need to review those instructions!

REGISTER THROUGH YOUR SERVICE LEARNING COURSE and not a volunteer opportunity posted by the community partner.

Log into MUEngage right now!
Search “Give Pulse Marquette” or go to our website “Marquette Service Learning”
Things You Should Know…

• **Service Learning Info Session- February 14th 3pm-4pm 707 Building**

• *Frfr* (for real for real)...we need you to pay attention and read thoroughly the follow-up email *AFTER* you register.

• Service starts *AFTER* your orientation, any background check clearance, and/or trainings

• **DO NOT** contact organizations before registration or try to arrange your own placement with organizations that are partners with the Service Learning Program.

• **DO NOT** register for more than one site placement!!

Again...read, listen, or view the MUEngage instructions listed on the Service Learning Program website.
More Things You Should Know…

- Other MU Sponsored Volunteer Programs
- Two or more Service Learning Courses
- Site/Organization Not Listed for Course
- Logging Impacts
- Multiple management systems
Tips for Success

• Late Sign-Ups/Switching Sites
  - Late Registration Policy - After February 9th late sign-ups will be considered but not guaranteed until February 28th. After February 28th, the student will be responsible for securing their own placement or will need to drop the class.

• Background Checks, Important Paperwork, and Trainings

• Falsifying Hours

• Final Grades

• Are You An Athlete?
Next Steps:

✓ Watch, read, or listen to the MUEngage instructional videos to learn how to create your MUEngage Profile (if you haven’t already)

✓ Preview reflection sessions and register now to secure your spot.

✓ Start Previewing service-learning opportunities in your service-learning class in MUEngage (check frequently)

✓ Register for Service Learning online starting Wednesday, February 2nd at 12:00pm (call or email if you have challenges registering)
Questions?
Website: mu.edu/servicelearning
Email: servicelearning@marquette.edu
Call: 414-288-3262