

# Campus Audit

## Part One: Institutional Intentionality: Evidence of our institutional and public commitment to civic engagement.

- Strategic Plan
  - Mission statement refers to responding to regional needs and developing community resources.
  - Vision statement includes being known for contributing to the region.
  - Values list include democratic values such as free and open inquiry, diversity, mutual respect, personal integrity, shared governance
  - Goal 4: Advance the Quality of Life in Fort Wayne and the Surrounding Region speaks specifically to outreach and engagement responsibilities.
- Images / Messages
  - Key messages in Integrated Marketing Plan
  - Logo incorporating three rivers emphasizes regional foundations
  - Electronic sign provides ongoing information about engagement opportunities
  - Bridge to new student housing a symbol of “connection” to the community
  - Chancellor/deans speeches stress IPFW’s role in economic and intellectual development of the region
- Institutional units / services with community engagement mission
  - Helmke Library
  - Centers of Excellence
    - Archaeological Survey
    - Mike Downs Center for Indiana Politics
    - Community Research Institute
    - Center for Reptile and Amphibian Conservation and Management (Herp Center)
    - Behavioral Health and Family Studies Institute
    - Center for the Built Environment
  - College Cable Access Center (College 56)
  - Omnibus Lecture Series
  - Office of Multicultural Services
  - School of Education Curriculum Lab
- Community Participation Opportunities
  - Internships / volunteer opportunities via Academic Counseling and Career Services (ACCS)
  - Co-op
  - Service learning classes

- Practicum in Nursing, Dental Hygiene, etc.
- Student organization projects
  
- Diversity Initiatives
  - Diversity Council charged to provide oversight of diversity initiatives
  - Recruitment and Retention activities
  - Affirmative Action Plan for hiring
  
- University Awards
  - Ulmer Award
  - Barbara L. Blauvelt Political Science Award
  
- Community partnerships (contractual)
  - Parkview Hospital
  - Fort Wayne Community Schools
  - PBS Channel 39
  - Fort Wayne Philharmonic
  - Leadership Fort Wayne
  - Arts agreements: Unity Choir, Community Orchestra,
  
- Hosting community events
  - Johnny Appleseed Festival
  - American Cancer Society Relay for Life
  - American Red Cross Bloodmobile
  - Science Fair
  - United Way Day of Caring
  - Schools/departments participation in community events
    - Nursing
    - Dental Hygiene
  
- “Community Connections” focus of NCA Self-Study
  - Annual inventory of school / department engagement connections
  - Development Office database
  
- Faculty as Community Resources as experts/speakers

**Part Two: Evidence of civic engagement commitment in academic areas of the University.**

- Conversations on Quality (OAA initiative)
- Curriculum

- Goals for baccalaureate education include goal that “the graduate will possess knowledge and awareness sufficient to exercise the responsibilities of citizenship.”
- General Education goals include critical thinking, communication, and knowledge of social/political institutions.
- Majors with specific civic education goals include SPEA, Political Science, Sociology, Business, Education, etc.
  
- Broad Curriculum Initiatives
  - General Education Areas I and III
  - Internationalizing the Curriculum
  - Diversity Curriculum Transformation
  
- Degree Programs with a Civic Engagement Emphasis
  - School of Public and Environmental Affairs (SPEA)
  - Political Science
  - Sociology
  - Human Services
  - Women’s Studies
  - Peace and Conflict Studies
  - International Studies
  
- Teaching and Learning
  - FACET
  - CELT
  - DECCO
  
- Student Experiential Learning
  - Co-op
  - Internships
  - Service learning
  - Practicums (Health Sciences, Education, Consumer and Family Sciences)
  - Study Abroad (Business, IU, PU, exchange agreements)
  
- Special Projects
  - Political Science panels
  - Philosophy “Human Rights” project
  - Visiting Scholar/lecture series
  
- Reward Systems
  - Promotion and Tenure (on the basis of teaching and/or service as well as research)

- OAA reference documents on Excellence in Teaching and Documenting Service

### **Part Three: Evidence of civic engagement commitment in co-curricular areas of the University.**

- Student Government
- Student Organizations
- Volunteerism
- 21<sup>st</sup> Century Scholars/Upward Bound
- Summer Bridge Program

### **Part Four: Resources for evaluating civic engagement activities**

- NSSE
- Noel-Levitz
- HERI
- Program Review/Accreditation
- Annual Reports
  - School
  - Department
  - Individual faculty
- NCA Self-Study
- Engagement Database (Development)