

Service-Learning Courses Berea College 2008 – 2009 Academic Year

Courses followed by (ALE) were designated as service-learning courses that fulfilled the Active Learning Experience (ALE) requirement of the General Education Program.

FALL TERM 2008

AFR 486B/APS 486A/PSJ 486A/SENS 460/WST 458 Interdisciplinary Capstone Seminar

Professor: Richard Olson

Community Partner Organizations: Sustainable Berea

Service-Learning Project: Senior students in five different academic majors enrolled in this interdisciplinary capstone seminar. The students partnered with Sustainable Berea to help develop a Transition Town plan for Berea, a plan to facilitate the city of Berea in transitioning to a post-peak oil economy. Students helped facilitate community meetings, compile community members' feedback and ideas, and compose a Transition Town plan.

AFR/PSC/WST 202 Women and African Americans in Politics

Professor: Meta Mendel-Reyes

Community Partner Organization and Contact: League of Women Voters of Berea and Madison County - *Elizabeth Crowe, President*

Service-Learning Project: Students helped to coordinate and lead a community workshop titled "Running for Office: What about YOU," designed for community members who are interested in running for a public office.

APS 203 Appalachian Culture (ALE)

Professor: Chad Berry

Community Partner Organization: Big Creek People in Action, Caretta, West Virginia

Service-Learning Project: Students and professor made three weekend trips to Caretta to get to know the community and to provide support during the War Fall Festival, running game and food booths. Students also partnered with community members to produce digital stories, documenting aspects of communities in McDowell County, West Virginia.

GSTR 110 Sections M and X Creative Writing Seminar 1: Critical Thinking about NEAT Tourism

Professor: Peter Hackbert

Community Partner Organizations and Contacts: City of Hyden Mayor's Office - *Mayor Lonnie Hendrix; Leslie County Judge; Rhonda Brashear, President of the Hyden Chamber of Commerce; and Fred Brashear Leslie County Economic Development Council. Knott County Chamber of Commerce - Larry Park, Acting Director, Chamber of Commerce; Bernice E.H. Amburgey, founder of Saddle Up Elk Tours and member of the Knott County Tourism Commission; and Bryan Moore.*

Service-Learning Project: These projects continue conversations among multiple community, governmental and private organizations, advancing a multi-county trail system and adventure tourism programs that integrate the interests of environmentalists, public and private property owners, sportsmen and economic development advocates, to promote sustainable tourism.

PEH 100D Introduction to Lifetime Wellness (ALE)

Professor: Martha Beagle

Community Partner Organization: Counseling Services (Berea College)

Community Partner Contacts: Sue Reimondo and Ellen Burke

Service-Learning Project: In collaboration with Counseling Services, students worked in small groups to develop and present interactive and informational stations for the annual Body Awareness Fair. Students presented information related to topics of stress management, physical activity, alcohol and drug abuse, and nutrition.

SOC 223 Social Stratification and Inequality

Professor: Demetrius Semien

Community Partner Organizations: Berea Buddies, Adopt-a-Grandparent, Teen Mentoring

Service-Learning Project: Students provided service to community members by volunteering through CELTS Student-Led Service Programs.

SPN 310 Spanish Composition/Hispanic Outreach Project (ALE)

Professor: Fred de Rosset

HOP Student Coordinators: Arlett Franco, Juana Diaz, Lorena Luna, and Dorothy Patterson

Community Partner Organizations and Contacts: Berea Buddies; Madison County Public Library - *Pat Acevedo, Youth Services Librarian*; Project Read – *Brenda Thomas, Executive Director*; South Madison County Family Resource Center (Shannon Johnson Elementary School) - *Lisa Gay, Director, and 1st grade teachers.*

Service-Learning Project: Students collaborated with local agencies to provide services, including English as a Second Language (ESL) tutoring for children and adults, Spanish classes for English speakers (children), translation services, mentoring for Spanish-speaking children, and bilingual community reading events for children and families. The goal of these on-going projects is to build bridges between the Spanish-speaking and English-speaking communities of southern Madison County.

TEC 140 Production Technology in Wood (ALE)

Professor: Gary Mahoney

Community Partner Organization: Student Crafts Program (Berea College)

Service-Learning Project: Students designed and prototyped potential products to be produced by Woodcraft. Working with the partners, a product was selected, and then the class produced plans, procedures, and special tooling for Woodcraft.

TEC 330 Computer Aided Design and Drafting (ALE)

Professor: Ronald Spangler

Community Partner Organizations and Contacts: Student Crafts Program (Berea College)- *Tim Glotzbach, Director of Student Crafts*; Kentucky Office of Vocational Rehabilitation - *Kevin Fitz-Gerald, Technical Coordinator, Education Cabinet*; Madison County Health Department - *Lloyd Jordison, Community Health Nurse*

Service-Learning Project: Students designed a fixture to aid in the production of a juicer produced by the Berea College Student Crafts Program. Students assisted REHAB (Office of Vocational Rehabilitation) and a local resident with starting a dog biscuit business. Students designed a compact

motivational seat-belt crash track to increase seat-belt usage in Madison County, in partnership with the Madison County Safety Coalition (Madison County Health Department).

JANUARY SHORT TERM 2009

ENG 227 Grant-Writing (ALE)

Professor: Kate Egerton

Community Partner Organizations and Contacts: Madison County Home Energy Improvement Program - *Gina Chamberlain*; Sustainable Berea - *Cheyenne Olson*

Service-Learning Project: Students in the course worked with the community organizations to research funding sources and to write portions of grant proposals.

SPRING TERM 2009

CFS 217 Parent-Child Relations

Professor: Margaret Dotson

Community Partner Organization and Contact: Child Development Laboratory (Berea College) - *Marsha Maupin, Director*

Service-Learning Project: This course is designed to study the nature of parent-child relations, as well as develop a working knowledge of parent education. The students in the course planned and implemented a variety of workshops for parents of children who attend the Child Development Laboratory.

CFS 345 Community Nutrition (ALE)

Professor: Janice Blythe

Community Partner Organizations and Contacts: Berea Community Food Bank - *Jerry Workman, Volunteer Coordinator*, and Berea Health Ministry Rural Clinic - *Dr. Cora Newell Fletcher, Executive Director*

Teaching Assistant: Brittany Martin

Service-Learning Project: Students completed needed tasks, as directed by the community partner contact for each organization. At the Food Bank, students conducted inventory, checked in receivable items, stocked items in storeroom areas at the Food Bank, and completed clerical tasks. At the Clinic, students purchased supplies, planted flowers and cleaned the front exterior, worked in the Receptionist area, word-processed important clinic documents, and completed clerical tasks.

CFS 386A Families, Poverty, and Inequality

Professor: Keila Thomas

Community Partner Organization and Contact: Habitat for Humanity of Madison and Clark Counties - *Layne Hawley*

Service-Learning Project: Students worked with Habitat for Humanity of Madison and Clark Counties to assist with the early promotion of the "Women and Girls' Build" that will take place in October 2009 in Madison County. Activities included development of printed promotional materials, creation and delivery of community presentations, development of project timelines, and documentation of the process.

COM 302 Organizational Communication (ALE)

Professor: Billy Wooten

Community Partner Organizations and Contacts: New Opportunity School for Women (NOSW) - *Jan Gill, Executive Director*; Project Pericles

Service-Learning Project: Students partnering with the NOSW worked on three teams: a.) an event planning team which held a community cookout/donation drive for the NOSW; b.) a web team which redesigned the NOSW website; c.) a team which remodeled the NOSW basement space into a community clothes closet space, complete with shelves, paint and organizational support. Students partnering with Project Pericles developed a comprehensive media campaign about mountaintop removal, complete with a brochure, four poster designs and a documentary.

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HLT 210 Health in Appalachia (ALE)

Professor: Kris Wright

Community Partner Organization and Contact: Kentucky Environmental Foundation (KEF) - *Elizabeth Crowe, Executive Director*; Berea College Office of Institutional Research and Assessment (OIRA) - *Judith Weckman, Director*

Service-Learning Project: Students partnered with KEF and Berea College OIRA to create and administer a survey for health professionals in Madison County about their knowledge of the health impacts of coal-fired power plants. After the conclusion of the survey, students invited participants to a forum to discuss the results. This project supports the work that KEF and a coalition of other groups in the region are doing to propose alternatives to a new coal-fired power plant in Clark County, Kentucky.

PED 250 Aquatics (ALE)

Professor: Melody Srsic

Community Partner Organization and Contact: Child Development Laboratory (Berea College) - *Marsha Maupin, Director*

Service-Learning Project: Students developed and taught American Red Cross Aquatic Programs for infants and parents, pre-school-aged children, and adult novices.

PSY 211 Abnormal Psychology (ALE)

Professor: Rob Smith

Community Partner Organization and Contacts: Berea Community High School (BCHS) - *Diane Smith, Eef Fontanez, and Cindy Richardson*

Service-Learning Project: In collaboration with BCHS staff and students, Berea College students planned and conducted a mental health awareness fair and educational program called "Healthy Minds 2009," which was held for the BCHS high school students.

PSY 213 Child Psychopathology (ALE)

Professor: Rob Smith

Community Partner Organization and Contacts: Berea Community Elementary School (BCES) - *Diane Smith, Eef Fontanez, and Cindy Richardson*

Service-Learning Project: In collaboration with BCES staff and students, Berea College students planned and conducted a half-day children's mental health awareness fair and educational program called "Healthy Minds 2009." BCES students came to the Berea College campus to participate in the fair.