PRACTICUM 096: COMMUNITY SERVICE & LEARNING Spring 2016 SYLLABUS – SHADY GROVE

COURSE DESCRIPTION

As part of your enrollment in a Shriver Center service-learning placement, you will be enrolled in PRAC 096, a zero-credit, Pass/Fail course. This provides a record of your participation in a University sanctioned service-learning opportunity. Students who meet all of the requirements listed below will earn a Pass (P) grade in the Practicum, including a notation on their transcripts. Students who fail to meet the requirements of the Practicum by the posted deadlines will earn a Fail (F) grade. Incomplete (I) grades will not be granted unless specifically requested by the student prior to the last day of classes (Tuesday, Dec. 8th) and are assigned at the discretion of the student's designated Service-Learning Coordinator. Please talk to a Program Coordinator if you have any questions. Per the Spring 2016 Academic Calendar, the last day to withdraw from 096 Prac without a grade "W" on your transcript is Friday, February 5th, 2016.

APPLIED LEARNING THROUGH SERVICE

"Service-Learning is a form of experiential education in which students engage in activities that address human and community needs together with structured opportunities for reflection designed to achieve desired learning outcomes." (Dr. Barbara Jacoby, Service-Learning in Higher Education, 1996) Accordingly, key principles of Service-Learning are reflection and reciprocity.

The Student Learning Outcomes for Practicum 096: Community Service & Learning are:

- Increase awareness of community assets and needs
- Enhance sense of civic responsibility
- Strengthen critical thinking/problem-solving skills through critical reflection
- Increase self-confidence and competence
- Promote leadership development
- Explore skills needed to advocate for themselves and others

096 PRACTICUM INFORMATION

Task	Due date
Participate in 3-5 hours of community service per week , for a minimum of 30 hours per semester (unless otherwise indicated). Students are expected to attend their site weekly and consistently.	Tuesday, May 10th
Complete Service Learning Expectations and Learning Objectives Form with your Service-Learning Coordinator or service site supervisor. Access form here: http://shrivercenter.umbc.edu/096-community-service-learning-practicum/	Friday, March 11th
Complete the Basic Info profile on UMBCworks Click on EDIT underneath your current service, internship, coop, or research placement. This will take you directly to the Basic Exp. Learning Information screen. To complete your Evaluations and Semester Report, click on the grey titles to the right of your experience on the Exp. Learning homepage. Access here: http://www.careers.umbc.edu/umbcworks .	Friday, March 11th
Complete All Service-Learning Reflection Questions on Blackboard. Responses should be at least 200 words in length. • Students must click "SUBMIT" for their entry to be received and for full credit to be given. Clicking "SAVE" will not submit the entry to Blackboard, and no credit can be given for these entries.	Reflection Question 1: Sunday, March 6th, 2016 at 11:55 pm Reflection Question 2: Sunday, March 13th, 2016 at 11:55 pm Reflection Question 3: Sunday, March 20th, 2016 at 11:55 pm

To ensure that your question has been submitted correctly, click on "My Grades" in Blackboard. These Reflection Question 4: Sunday, March 27th, 2016 at 11:55 pm icons represent the status of your submission: Reflection Question 5: Sunday, April 3rd, 2016 at 11:55 pm Other Information: Check mark: You have successfully completed the Reflection Question 6: Sunday, April 10th, 2016 at 11:55 pm Survey (Reflections 1 and 10). The survey is anonymous. You will see a check mark by your name Reflection Question 7: Sunday, April 17th, 2016 at 11:55 pm after it is completed instead of a point value. Green exclamation point: You have successfully Reflection Question 8: Sunday, April 24th, 2016 at 11:55 pm "SUBMITTED" your Blackboard response. If the entry meets the length requirements (at least 200 words), Reflection Question 9: Sunday, May 1st, 2016 at 11:55 pm you will receive full credit for this response after it is graded. Reflection Question 10: Sunday, May 8th, 2016 at 11:55 pm Clipboard: You have "Saved" your response but NOT submitted it to Blackboard. No credit will be given to "SAVED" responses. Return to your response, open it, and click "SUBMIT." Attend 2 Reflections Sessions. You will need to attend two Series One Dates: sessions (one from each series) that are facilitated by Shady Wednesday, Mar 23: 4PM-5PM in III-4135 Grove Service-Learning staff. Each session within a series will be the same workshop. Each student must attend two Thursday, Mar 24: 12:30PM-1:30PM in III-4135 reflection sessions from different series. Series Two Dates: If you do not attend two sessions and are not at a "Student Monday, May 9th 11:30AM-12:30PM in III-SAS Coordinator Lead Site" you must complete an Alternative Reflection Assignment. This will be sent out during the Conference Room semester from the S-L Staff Tuesday, May 10th: 4:30PM-5:30PM in III-SAS Shady Grove students are not permitted to attend other dates on main campus. Please plan to attend these Conference Room sessions specifically designed for Shady Grove students. Complete Student Evaluation and Placement Evaluation on Tuesday, May 10th UMBCworks. http://www.careers.umbc.edu/umbcworks Submit Service-Learning Time-Sheet as a record of service Tuesday, May 10th

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