

Want to Teach a Community-Based Course?

Why?

Students are able to connect theory from the classroom into practice, engage more thoroughly with the material, and gain a community-minded perspective. Faculty can connect research interests with community organizations, and form closer relations with community partners. Altogether, community-based learning provides a connection between academia and the community, with a deeper intellectual engagement that is rooted in real-life application.

Here are three ways!

Teach a half-credit class.	Add a community project or element to your class.	Integrate community-based/service learning into an existing curriculum.
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Possible Projects

<p>LAMP - Literacy for All of Monterey Park</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Existing project and partnership • Students coach community members on the English-speaking and civics portion of the citizenship test, while also providing opportunities for creative writing. • Gives students an opportunity to engage with AAPI community in Monterey Park • Community members are typically older and limited English speakers 	<p>The Inland Empire Project</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The IE Project is still in development stages and currently does not have formal partnerships • Potential projects can include asset/resource mapping, oral histories, working with community members to identify gaps and needs in the city of Pomona. 	<p>Create your own!</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There are several community organizations just within the AAPI community, and we can work together to find an organizational partner that fits your class or intended project. <p>Some organizations are: Visual Communications, Korean Resource Center, Asian Pacific American Legal Center, Empowering Pacific Islander Communities, Tongan Community Service Center, Little Tokyo Service Center, Search to Involve Pilipino Americans, Kizuna, Khmer Girls in Action, South East Asian Community Alliance, South Asian Network, and so on.</p>
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What can I provide for you as Community Engagement Coordinator?

★Transportation arrangements ★Workshops on implementing community-based projects or curricula + grading structure ★Help in outreaching, connecting, and obtaining community partnerships ★Resources, tips, and other materials on community-based/service learning ★Money for books and other purposes ★ **We are happy to find other ways to support your integration of community-based learning into your teaching!**