

# 2002 - 2017 celebrating 15 years

uniting campuses, empowering students and strengthening communities

## 2016-17 Year in Review









## CONFERENCE HIGHLIGHTS

### CSNAP Student Conference

November 11-12, 2016 **UNC Asheville** 

"Believe There is Good in the World: Be The Good"

More than 160 students, faculty, staff, and community advocates, representing 23 campuses, convened for reflection and learning. True to its name, the event touched on topics related to "Citizenship, Service, Networking, And Partnerships" in 14 morning workshop sessions and an afternoon "social change showcase" featuring eight organizations that mobilize college students to address community issues. Chancellor Mary Grant welcomed participants to the Saturday session, reaffirming her long-time commitment to the Campus Compact network and the "public purposes of higher education."

On Friday evening, participants networked and enjoyed a performance and workshop facilitated by Asheville musician Jonathon Santos.

CSNAP is the longest-running and largest student community engagement conference in the southern region. 2016 marked the 24th iteration of the event.

Photos: Chancellor Grant welcoming students; UNC Chapel Hill students





Photo: Jamie Merisotis Credit: Andrew Krech

### 7th Annual Presidents Forum

February 8, 2017 Host: Chancellor Harold L. Martin, Sr. North Carolina A & T State University

35 college and university presidents and chancellors, accompanied by 30 diversity and inclusion officials, explored issues related to equity and higher education's public purposes.

Keynote presenters included Jamie Merisotis, President and CEO, Lumina Foundation; Dr. Alicia Dowd, Professor of Education, Penn State University; and Dr. Andrew Seligsohn, President, Campus Compact. A presidential panel featuring Bill Ingram (Durham Tech Community College), Carol Quillen (Davidson College), Elwood Robinson (Winston-Salem State University), and Jose Sartarelli (UNC Wilmington), discussed equity and inclusion efforts at their institutions.

### Social Change Forum

February 14, 2017

Duke University School of Medicine, Trent Semans Conference Center "Social Innovation and Community Engagement in Higher Education: Sharing Lessons, Cultivating Collaborations"

Nearly 100 faculty and staff from 19 colleges and universities gathered to explore how the fields of community engagement and social entrepreneurship could learn from the other to achieve greater community impact and deeper student learning. Dr. David Scobey of the University of Michigan, delivered keynote remarks "Social Innovation and Community Engagement: Collaborations, Disagreements, and the Value of Both."

Other presenters included:

- Matt Nash, Duke University
- Maggie West, Community Empowerment Fund
- Dr. Bernard Turner and Tim Stewart, Belmont University
- Dr. Lane Perry, Western Carolina University
  Dr. Mary Lynn Manns, UNC Asheville
- Debbie Brock, Wingate University



Photo: Team members from Elon University & High Point University share ideas.

### **Community Impact Student Award**

## RECOGNITION

Twenty-five student leaders were selected by their campuses to receive a 2016 Community Impact Award.

Appalachian State University Evan Montpellier

Bennett College Kaylah Stevenson

Central Piedmont Community College DaQuane Cherry

Davidson College Nate Casey

Durham Technical Community College Kevin Garcia

East Carolina University Lekisha Pittman

Elon University June Shuler

Fayetteville State University Jerrin Grant

Guilford College Mamta Gurung



High Point University Ebony Gillette

North Carolina Central University James Yarbough

North Carolina State University Ashle Page

Pfeiffer University Molly Huber

Queens University of Charlotte Margaret Nelson UNC Asheville Amanda Slater

UNC Chapel Hill Jashwanna Gladney

UNC Charlotte Sean Myhand

UNC Greensboro Joshua Leeper

UNC Pembroke Erin Tesoriero

UNC Wilmington Elise Wilson Wake Technical Community College Kelly Suggs

Warren Wilson College Emily Odgers

Western Carolina University Joanna Woodson

William Peace University Yaqueline Yanez

Wingate University Trevor McKenzie

### **Community Engagement Leadership Awards**

At the Presidents Forum we presented the 2017 Engagement Awards to honor one administrator, a President, and one faculty member for their deep commitment to campus-community engagement.

Civic Engagement Professional of Year



Dr. Smith Jackson Elon University

Leo. M. Lambert Engaged Leader Award



President Bill Ingram
Durham Technical Community College

Robert L. Sigmon Service-Learning Award



Dr. David Malone Duke University

"Dr. Smith Jackson has transformed our campus and community through his steadfast belief that every student can make a difference locally and globally. He quietly steered Elon's service, service-learning, and civic engagement efforts to become a national model for engaging all constituents in building bridges for the common good through learning and action."

"Bill Ingram has acquired a welldeserved reputation as someone who needs to be at the table when our community grapples with tough issues. His efforts have opened doors for those in our region who otherwise would not benefit from services that are needed to help them succeed." "David's leadership has created an intellectually rigorous service-learning program that creates the conditions for participants to come together in reading, reflection, and analysis. This grounding in the university's academic mission serves everyone well."

### RECOGNITION

### John H. Barnhill Civic Trailblazer Award



Jenny Fukunaga of Elon University received the 2016 award given to one student in the NC Campus Compact network who demonstrates innovation in civic engagement, creating a foundation that expands partnerships amongst communities, campuses, and individuals. The award is named in honor of John Barnhill, founding executive director of NC Campus Compact and a powerful student leader during his collegiate career.

Jenny lived in Elon's service-focused living-learning community her first year and continued to be involved as a mentor and then student director. Now a senior, Jenny is one of three executive directors of Elon's Kernodle Center for Service Learning and Community Engagement, responsible for coordinating leadership development and training for all 150 student leaders within the Elon Volunteers! program.

A human services major, Jenny has also engaged in undergraduate research involving focus groups with Elon students, faculty, and staff, and local civic leaders to investigate each group's knowledge and perceptions of the other.

### Marshall Alternative Service Experience Scholarship



Two students - Yaqueline Yanez, William Peace University, and DaQuane Cherry, Central Piedmont Community College - (pictured with Marshall) were selected to receive a \$250 award to help fund their participation in an upcoming alternative break service trip.

This scholarship is a gift from Aaron Marshall, who created the program with NC Campus Compact. Marshall is a 2014 graduate of Western Carolina University, where he took part in nine alternative break service trips. He was also a recipient of the Compact's 2013 Community Impact Award and the 2014 Barnhill Civic Trailblazer Award. Believing in the power of the alternative break experience and the associated leadership opportunities, Marshall created the scholarship to "pay it forward" so other college students could have similar experiences.



Erick Jenkins East Carolina University



Amy Belfer Elon University



Jasmyn Alexander High Point University



Kirby Jones Meredith College



Tyler Walker NC Central University



Ashle Page NC State University



Mandee Schaub Pfeiffer University



Shannon Bodeau UNC Asheville



Erica Cherian UNC Charlotte



Natural Breedon UNC Pembroke



Joanna Woodson Western Carolina University

### **Newman Civic Fellows**

Eleven NC students are among 273 students selected to be part of Campus Compact's 2017 cohort of Newman Civic Fellows. This one-year fellowship for community-committed college students from member institutions, honors the late Frank Newman, one of Campus Compact's founders and a tireless advocate for civic engagement in higher education.

Campus Compact member presidents and chancellors are annually invited to nominate one student from their institution for the fellowship. Through the fellowship, students experience a variety of learning and networking opportunities, including a national conference in partnership with the Edward M. Kennedy Institute for the United States Senate in Boston. Fellows also gain access to exclusive scholarship and post-graduate opportunities.

## MLK DAY OF SERVICE

Since 2008 NC Campus Compact has provided resources to campuses to implement MLK Day of Service projects. For 2017 we served as the technical assistance provider to nine southern region institutions receiving grants through the MLK Partnerships Project, sponsored by Iowa Campus Compact with funding from the Corporation for National and Community Service.

Three NC institutions - NC Central University, Pfeiffer University, and UNC Greensboro - received a total of \$6500 to implement community improvement projects on the MLK Day of Service. Below are photos from Pfeiffer University who constructed a hunger relief garden on campus. Pfeiffer President Colleen Perry Keith (pictured in the middle, top row) and Executive Director Leslie Garvin served as volunteers.





## Engaged Faculty Scholars



In June 2016 we welcomed the second cohort of The Engaged Faculty Scholars program which supports two faculty members for one year as they work to deepen the practice of community engagement at their own campus. They also support the development of community-engaged teaching at another school in the network. Davidson County Community College is the partner campus for the 2016-17 cohort.

Dr. Maggie Commins, Queens University, Associate Professor of Political Science and Co-Chair of the Academic Civic Engagement Task Force



The university's new general education curriculum, "Queens Advantage," requires new "learning communities" at the 300 level. In partnership with Queens' Center for Advancement of Faculty Excellence and the co-curricular Center for Active Citizenship, Commins is promoting the use of service-learning as a teaching pedagogy and delivering professional development for faculty teaching these courses.

Dr. Cara Kozma, High Point University, Assistant Professor of English and Assistant Director of the Service Learning Program



Kozma is researching the impact of service learning on students from different socioeconomic backgrounds. She presented some of her initial findings at the Gulf-South Summit on Service-Learning and Civic Engagement Through Higher Education in Greensboro, NC (March 2017) and during the Sunshine State Teaching and Learning Conference in St. Petersburg, FL (Feb. 2017).



Partnerships is NC Campus Compact's peer-reviewed, online

journal, hosted by UNC Greensboro.

Fall 2016 Edition - Volume 7, No. 2

This edition highlighted positive examples, models, and programs built on campus-community partnerships operating in communities across the country across partisan lines, between differing world views, and among diverse populations. In both domestic and international arenas, our featured scholars recognize that dialogue, problem solving, and collaborative goal setting set the stage for ethical and effective high-impact programs.

Spring 2017 Edition - Volume 8, No. 1

This issue offered new perspectives and research on enduring matters for service-learning scholars and practitioners. Three articles tackle distinct areas of concern: co-curricular service to complement academic service-learning; international service-learning; and curriculum development using a cross-sector team that does not adhere to traditional hierarchies. In addition, three book reviews confront the "why" of our engaged work even as we regularly strive to disseminate the best possible practices within engaged scholarship.



4 members serving at 4 community-based nonprofits

#### **EDUCATION**

5 members are strengthening K-12 education partnerships, like Duke's Print Pals literacy program serving Latino families in Durham.

#### **FOOD ACCESS**

7 members are expanding access to healthy food, like Feast Down East's mobile markets in Wilmington public housing neighborhoods.

### ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY

3 members are supporting local economic opportunity, like Community Empowerment Fund's financial services for low-income residents in Chapel Hill.

Since 2008, NC Campus Compact has partnered with the national Campus Since 2008, NC Campus Compact has partnered with the national Campus

Election Engagement Project (CEEP) to provide campuses with resources and info

ELECTION ENGAGEMENT to support campus voter registration, voter education, and get-out-the-vote efforts.

### Election Engagement Fellows

In 2016, we received a \$30,000 grant from the Z. Smith Reynolds Foundation and \$11,300 in funding from CEEP to create the Election Engagement Fellows program. Eighteen students from 13 campuses served as Fellows. Working with a faculty or staff advisor, fellows gathered a campus team, created a campus voter engagement plan, and coordinated nonpartisan events, including debate watch parties and celebrations of National Voter Registration Day.



### Highlights



Creation of "branded" student-led voter engagement efforts with active social media like "UNCW Votes," "UNCP Votes," and "Pack the Polls" (NCSU).



Successful advocacy for on-campus polling places by fellows and allies at schools like Appalachian State, Western Carolina, and NC State.



Fellow from Durham Tech was one of 3 NC students to take part in College Debate 2016, a national town hall event held at Dominican University in California.



Partnering with Ben & Jerry's "Democracy in Your Hands" tour to offer free ice-cream at student election engagement events, including events at Durham Tech, UNC Greensboro, and CPCC.



Fellows engaged 570 peers in volunteer voter engagement roles.



16,000 students participated in Fellows supported events.

### Mini-Grants

Through CEEP we were able to again offer our election engagement mini-grants program. Fourteen campuses received \$500 mini-grants to support campus voter engagement initiatives, like Elon's election day shuttles to the polls, Western Carolina's "Raise Your Voice" festival during early-voting, and Fayetteville State's "Souls to the Polls" campus-community event in partnership with the NC NAACP.

More than 4600 students participated in grant funded programs. At least 2200 students were registered to vote through associated efforts.

In all, our Fellows and mini-grant programs supported election engagement at 22 campuses:

(F) = fellow / (G) = mini-grant

NC Central University (G)

Appalachian State University (F) Central Piedmont Community College (F, G) Davidson County Community College (G) Durham Technical Community College (F, G) East Carolina University (G) Elon University (G) Fayetteville State University (G) Guilford College (F) Meredith College (F) NC State University (F)

Pfeiffer University (G) Queens University of Charlotte (F, G) UNC Asheville (F) UNC Charlotte (G) UNC Greensboro (F) UNC Pembroke (F, G) UNC Wilmington (F, G) Wake Technical Community College (F) Warren Wilson College (F) Western Carolina University (G) Wingate University (G)

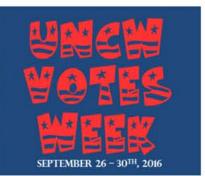




### NC College Voter Summit

On September 10, nearly 60 student leaders from 17 campuses gathered at Elon University for a full Saturday of training on best practices for non-partisan voter engagement. During plenary and break-out sessions, led by veteran organizers from Democracy NC, the Campus Vote Project, and NC PIRG, students explored working with your local board of elections, effective use of social media, and using voter pledges to get-out-the-vote.





## **2016-17 NC Campus Compact Members**

Algie Gatewood Alamance Community College

Sheri N. Everts Appalachian State University

Phyllis Worthy Dawkins Bennett College

Tony Zeiss (retired Jan. 2017) Central Piedmont Community College

Carol Quillen\* Davidson College

Mary Rittling\*
Davidson County Community College

Richard H. Brodhead Duke University

Bill Ingram
Durham Technical Community College

Cecil P. Staton East Carolina University

Leo M. Lambert\* Elon University

James A. Anderson\* Fayetteville State University

Jane K. Fernandes Guilford College

Randy Parker\*
Guilford Technical Community College

Nido Qubein\*\* High Point University

Wayne B. Powell (retired Jan. 2017) Lenoir-Rhyne University

Jo Allen\* Meredith College

Ben Hancock, Jr. Methodist University

Harold L. Martin, Sr.\* NC A & T State University

Johnson Akinleye NC Central University

James "Jimmie" Williamson NC Community College System

Randy Woodson NC State University

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> \*\* Executive Board Chair \* Executive Board member (2016-17)



### **Newest Members**



President Williamson NC Community College System



President Gatewood Alamance Community College

### Thank you for your Board Service!

In April 2017, Carol Quillen and James Anderson concluded their second three-year term serving on the Board. Leo Lambert concluded his Board term(s) after serving since the Compact began in 2002! Exofficio Board member, Smith Jackson, Vice President of Student Life at Elon University, is retiring and also concluded his service.



Photo of Board members at Presidents Forum with special guest, Campus Compact national President Dr. Andrew Seligsohn (second from the right). LtoR: Belcher, Garvin, Martin, Lambert, Parker, Qubein, Jackson