

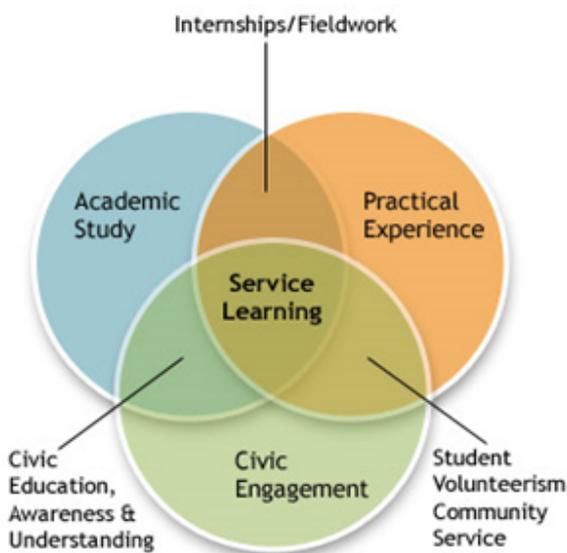
COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT COUNCIL

Click [HERE](#) to see our re-designed CEC website!

WHAT IS THE CEC?

Bemidji State Community Engagement Council

The purpose of community engagement is the partnership of college and university knowledge and resources with those of the public and private sectors to enrich scholarship, research, and creative activity; enhance curriculum, teaching, and learning; prepare educated, engaged citizens; strengthen democratic values and civic responsibility; address critical societal issues, and contribute to the public good.



MISSION

BSU creates opportunities and capacities to be transformative citizens, volunteers, professionals and co-creators of our communities.

VISION

BSU will cultivate engaged leaders who facilitate transformative change in our communities.

"What better education for our students than to become fully engaged in the world around them."

-Debbie Guelda, CEC Director

Look out for our next Community Conversation webinar!

These webinars are open to BSU and the public.

Tuesday, March 16th at 4:30 pm:

Understanding Inequality and Social Justice Through an Intersectional Lens

Mary Romero is Professor Emerita, Justice and Social Inquiry in the School of Social Transformation at Arizona State University. She is the author of *Introducing Intersectionality* (Polity Press, 2018), *The Maid's Daughter: Inside and Outside the American Dream* (NYU, 2011), *Maid in the U.S.A.* (NYU, 1992), co-editor of eight books, and numerous social science journals and law review articles.

Click [HERE](#) for the Zoom Link

FIRST NEWSLETTER

On behalf of the Community Engagement Council, welcome to our first newsletter! This newsletter will be published monthly to keep you apprised of how BSU is moving forward to our commitment to community engagement. In the newsletters you will read about engagement efforts locally, regionally, and nationally and resources highlighted regularly. We will also keep you informed about upcoming events, workshops, and conversations. Happy reading!

- Debbie Guelda, Director CEC



NON-PROFIT SPOTLIGHT

Click [HERE](#) for more information!

Peacemaker Resources is a non-profit organization based in Bemidji, MN. For the last 20 years, they have supported building peace skills throughout Minnesota and beyond. Their intention is to offer universal prevention tools to groups leading to systemic changes that benefit individuals and communities.

They work with youth and adults in programming related to three focused areas: Social and Emotional Learning, Cultural Responsiveness, Trauma-informed Practices. If you are interested in participating in a class, retreat, workshop, volunteer opportunity visit their website!

Peacemaker Resources Intended Outcomes:

- Emotionally Healthy Youth
- Caring Supportive Schools
- Life Enriching Families
- Respectful Communities
- Healthy Workplaces
- Geographic Priorities





Campus Compact

CAMPUS COMPACT

Click [HERE](#) to visit Campus Compact's website!

Campus Compact advances the public purposes of colleges and universities by deepening their ability to improve community life and to educate students for civic and social responsibility. Campus Compact envisions colleges and universities as vital agents and architects of a diverse democracy, committed to educating students for responsible citizenship in ways that both deepen their education and improve the quality of community life. We challenge all of higher education to make civic and community engagement an institutional priority.



CEC Executive Team

- Debbie Guelda** - Director
- Colleen Greer** - Community Liaison and Partnership Coordinator
- Donna Pawlowski** - Academic Service-Learning Faculty Coordinator

Community Engagement Council

- Nancy Haugen - Career Services
- Colleen Bakken - Community Member
- Pat Donnay - Political Science
- Mitch Blessing - TAD
- Travis Greene - Student Affairs
- Dave Massaglia - Business
- Anna Carlson - Environmental Studies
- Nina Johnson - Student Union
- Nicky Michaels - Indigenous Studies
- Mike Mulry - Corporate Relations

Campus Compact is a national coalition of 1,000+ colleges and universities committed to the public purposes of higher education. We build democracy through civic education and community development.

BSU formally joined Campus Compact in 2017. Click [HERE](#) to read our Commitment and Community Action Plan.

Campus Compact puts special emphasis on partnerships to support educational equity. It helps colleges and universities advance community goals in areas such as K-12 learning, college readiness, college access, and the development of student civic knowledge and skills at every level. Campus Compact's work strengthens colleges and universities as contributors to educational equity now while developing the next generation of citizens and leaders for our communities.