

Connecting with Community Engagement Opportunities

An overview of the numerous ways Holy Cross is engaged in the community can be found at: <http://www.holycross.edu/about-holy-cross/holy-cross-community>. Below is a brief description of some of the larger campus programs.

Community Service Work-Study

The Office of Government and Community Relations (GCR) coordinates the community service work-study program. GCR provides academic year and summer community service employment opportunities for currently enrolled students who receive a work-study award as part of their financial aid package. The jobs allow HC students to help meet the needs of the community and to earn income through engaging and rewarding work. (First-year students are not eligible .) To learn more, please contact Sue Hunt at 508-793-3995 or shunt@holycross.edu.

The Donelan Office of Community-Based Learning

Community-based learning (CBL) is a teaching approach that connects classroom learning objectives with civic engagement. Civic engagement occurs through service that meets community-identified needs or through research and experience that holds promise of social or scientific value to the community. In this mutually beneficial process, students are able to gain a deeper understanding of course content by integrating theory with practice, while communities gain access to volunteers, resources, and the wide-ranging research and scholarly expertise housed in the College's many disciplinary departments. To learn more, please contact Isabelle Jenkins at 508-793-3007 or Michelle Sterk Barrett at 508-793-3006, or visit: <http://www.holycross.edu/cbl>.

Student Programs for Urban Development (SPUD)

Student Programs for Urban Development (SPUD) is a community service organization sponsored by the Chaplains' Office. Consisting of 46 different outreach programs and 700 members, SPUD is the largest student organization at Holy Cross.

SPUD seeks to facilitate meaningful service experiences in the Worcester community and offer valuable educational resources in order to help students think critically about the social structures of injustice and take action toward change. To learn more, please call Marty Kelly at 508-793-2617 or visit: <http://www.holycross.edu/faith-and-service-opportunities/student-programs-urban-development-spud>

Summer Internships & Academic Internship Program

Summer Internships & the Academic Internship Program provide Holy Cross undergraduates with an opportunity to gain meaningful career related experience in an area related to a student's occupational goals. For further information about Summer Internships, please contact Pam Ahearn at (508) 793-3880 or visit: <http://www.holycross.edu/support-and-resources/career-planning-center/summer-internships>. For further information about the Academic Internship Program, please contact Maryanne Finn 508-793-2498 or visit: <https://www.holycross.edu/academics/holy-cross-approach/engaged-learning/internships/academic-internship-program>.