

Service-Learning Courses Berea College 2014 - 2015 Academic Year

Courses followed by (SL - ALE) were designated as service-learning courses that fulfilled the Active Learning Experience (ALE) requirement of the General Education Program.

FALL TERM 2014

CFS 221 Fundamentals of Nutrition (SL - ALE)

Faculty: Janice Blythe

Community Partners: Madison County Cooperative Extension Services - *Gina Noe*; Berea Community Food Bank - *Jerry Workman*

Service-Learning Projects: Class members participated in the community-wide Second Sunday Event at Battlefield Park, Richmond, KY. The class prepared nutrition education materials and a variety of healthy snacks for approximately 250 children and adults. The class also conducted the evaluation of the entire event (survey instrument provided by Extension). Students also participated in the annual, community-wide Hunger Hurts Food Drive, as liaisons to the CELTS student led planning committee and through implementation of the food drive.

CFS 356 The Exceptional Child

Faculty: Neil Mecham

Community Partners: Berea Community School Special Education classes - *Darla Colegrove and Michelle Robbins*

Short Description of Service-Learning Projects: Berea College students created and delivered a series of presentations designed to help young children with autism be more discerning of strangers and practice skills for appropriate interactions with strangers. The students also created puppets and puppet shows designed to help middle school students with autism understand social interaction and discern what types of behaviors are appropriate. The students also created information sheets with basic information about a common disability, what behaviors an adult might witness, and what course of action has been successful when working with children who display these behaviors.

COM/PSJ 113 Conflict and Mediation

Faculty: Jeff From

Community Partner: Horizon Prison Initiative – *Jeff Hunsaker*

Service-Learning Project: Students spent a day learning with participants in the Horizon Prison Initiative at the London Correctional Institution in London, Ohio. Horizon participants presented information about forgiveness and Victim Offender Mediation. Berea College students developed and presented workshops about Non-Violent Communication.

GST 101 Strategies for Academic Success

Faculty: Jamie Boggs

Community Partner: Foley Middle School Youth Service Center – *Zac Wray*

Service-Learning Project: Students served as mentors to 6th graders at Foley Middle School, sharing their learning from GST 101 (time management, goal setting, study skills, etc.) with their mentees.

EDS 228 Adolescents and the School Structure (SL - ALE)

Professor: Penelope Wong

Community Partners: Gear Up Promise Neighborhood, Connecting the Dots Mentoring Program – *Terry Wilson*; Jackson County High School

Service-Learning Project: The EDS 228 students are prospective teachers of middle and high school students. In order to learn more about the age group of the students, adolescents, with whom they will be one day working, they participated in a mentoring relationship with five Jackson County High School students. Their presentations highlight aspects of their mentoring relationships and how this service enhanced their understanding of adolescents.

PSY 211 Abnormal Psychology (SL - ALE)

Faculty: Amanda Wyrick

Community Partner: Berea Community Middle School and Family Resource Center – *Diane Smith*

Service-Learning Project: Students worked in groups to present to four eighth grade classrooms at Berea Community School during the months of September, October, and November. Topics included the role of social media on mental health, and anxiety. The presentations were a primary prevention strategy aimed at increasing awareness and coping for all eighth grade students. Eighth graders are the target population as they experience a high amount of distress, and the average age of onset of mental health disorders is in the range of 11 to 14.

REL 126 Poverty and Justice (SL - ALE)

Faculty: Michael Rivage-Seul

Community Partner: Kentuckians for the Commonwealth (KFTC) – *Beth Bissmeyer*

Service-Learning Project: Students partnered with KFTC to support voter empowerment efforts in Madison County, including voter registration and “get-out-the-vote” campaigns.

SPN 310 Spanish Composition and Hispanic Outreach Project (HOP) (SL - ALE)

Faculty: Fred de Rosset

HOP Student Coordinators: Isaac Ball (Program Manager), Jaeden Chatham, Lydia Pope, Lizbeth Saucedo, Anna Taylor

Community Partners: Berea Community School – *Mr. Sizemore*; Child Development Laboratory (CDL) at Berea College – *Tammy Carter*; Project Read – *Brenda Thomas*; South Madison Family Resource Center – *Lisa Gay*

Service-Learning Project: Students collaborated with local organizations to provide services, including English as a Second Language (ESL) tutoring for adults, Spanish classes for English speakers (children), and translation services. The goal of these on-going projects is to build bridges between the Spanish-speaking and English-speaking communities of southern Madison County.

TAD 140 Production Technology in Wood (SL - ALE)

Professor: Gary Mahoney

Community Partner: Berea Community School – *Michelle Robbins*

Service-Learning Project: Students designed and built musical instruments to be used by students with special needs, particularly those with autism, who attend Berea Community School.

SPRING TERM 2015

CFS 221 Fundamentals of Nutrition (SL - ALE)

Faculty: Janice Blythe

Community Partner: Berea College Child Development Lab (CDL) - *Wilma Chambers*, Director

Service-Learning Projects: Students in the course are collaborating with teachers at the Child Development Laboratory to develop age-appropriate educational activities about healthy nutrition for children who attend the CDL.

EDS 228 Adolescent Development and School Structure (SL - ALE)

Faculty: Penelope Wong

Community Partner: Gear Up Promise Neighborhood (Partners for Education) - *Terry Wilson*; Jackson County High School

Short Description of Service-Learning Projects: The EDS 228 students participated in a skype mentoring relationship with Jackson County High School students, through the Connecting the Dots Mentoring Program. Their presentations highlight aspects of their mentoring relationships and how this enhanced their understanding of adolescents.

GSTR 332

Faculty: Chris Adams

Community Partner: Berea Parks and Recreation

Service-Learning Projects: Students partnered with Berea Parks and Recreation staff to address issues related to natural and invasive species on Berea Parks and Recreation property.

PSY286/WGS286 Psychology of Women & Gender (SL – ALE)

Faculty: Wendy Williams

Community Partners: New Opportunity School for Women (NOSW) – *Lori Sliwa*; South Madison Family Resource Center – *Lisa Gay*; Berea College Child Development Lab (CDL) – *Wilma Chambers*

Service-Learning Project: Students served the community partner organizations in various capacities while observing how gender affects women and girls at various life stages (children, adolescents and adult women).

SPN 310 Spanish Composition and Hispanic Outreach Project (HOP) (SL - ALE)

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SUMMER 2015

HHP/ANR/REL 255 Therapeutic Horsemanship (SL – ALE)

Professors: Melody Srsic and Jeff Poole

Community Partner Organizations: Kentucky Foothills Therapeutic Horsemanship Center (KFTHC) – Cheryl Martin and Mark Martin

Service-Learning Project: While being trained by staff from the KFTHC in developing and implementing lesson plans in therapeutic horsemanship, the students in the class helped the KFTHC revise a lesson planning manual that the KFTHC are creating for publication. The students will then plan and implement a horse camp on campus, open to participants of a variety of ages and abilities.

NUR 120 Introduction to Healthcare Professions (SL-ALE)

Professor: Judy Ponder

Community Partner Organization: Madison County Health Department – Lloyd Jordison

Service-Learning Project: Students implemented a child safety seat assessment at all the elementary schools in Madison County.