







Thank You, MTCC Advisory Committee Leaders!

Montana is luck to have a dedicated set of community engagement professionals, faculty and administrators who lead Campus Compact's Advisory Committee. Big thanks to Rocky Mountain College's Shayla Brown, the Advisory Committee's outgoing chair, and thanks to Stephanie Schnider from the University of Providence who served as vice chair. Under Shayla and Stephanie's leadership, the Advisory Committee crafted a new three year strategic vision, helped celebrate 25 years of our Compact, and successfully launched the George M. Dennison Civic Engagement Scholarship. In the 2019-20 Academic Year, Stephanie Schnider will ascend to the role of chair, and Peter Buchanan from MSU Billings will begin as vice chair. Thank all three of you for your service!



We're Hiring! Serve with MTCC!

Full-time VISTA and AmeriCorps positions are still available for the '19-'20 service year! MTCC AmeriCorps members work on projects such as high school summer nudge programs at MT Tech, college knowledge programming for rural students at Drummond HS and SKC Upward Bound, and mentorship for underserved youth at Flathead Valley Community College. MTCC VISTA members serve veterans at NW MT Veterans Stand Down and the Veterans Advocacy Clinic, address workplace equality at the Equal Pay Task Force, and serve Montanans with disabilities at MonTECH. Visit our website to learn more about our full-time opportunities and apply.

If you'd like to help us spread the word we're happy to send recruitment materials, posters and email templates. Please email <u>Claire Foley</u> for info.

AmeriCorps and VISTA Program start dates:

Yearlong VISTA: August, 2019 Yearlong AmeriCorps: September 1, 2019



Engaged Scholars Initiative: Coming Soon

Campus Compact of the Western Region is planning to launch its first Engaged Scholars Initiative (ESI). The initiative will select and support a small cohort of engaged faculty and staff who can advance co-created knowledge, critically engaged pedagogies, institutional change, and collaborative action to address societal issues. Currently, we are seeking strategic institutional partners for the initiative, providing critical leadership and in-kind and financial support. Please contact MTCC's executive director Andrea Vernon to learn more.



Campus Compact National Office Introduces Community Engagement Professional Credentialing Program

The Community Engagement Professional Credentialing Program, developed and supported by leaders in the field, will provide civic and community engagement professionals opportunities to gain recognition for knowledge and skills they develop throughout their careers. It will also provide opportunities to engage in ongoing professional development activities that foster reflective, inclusive, and equity-focused partnerships and commitments.

Professionals will be able to earn a variety of micro-credentials by submitting evidence that they have achieved competency in that area. Ultimately, the Community Engagement Certification will be made up of 14 micro-credentials.

Click here to learn more!



Thank You for Your Service MTCC AmeriCorps VISTAs!

Our July and August 2018-19 cohort of VISTAs will complete their service soon and we want to thank them for their hard work this past year. The VISTA (Volunteers In Service To America) is a federal program that places full-time people in service to communities.

VISTA focuses on sustainably moving people out of poverty, and building the capacity of organizations to offer greater reach and additional services to their clients. MTCC's VISTAs have successfully written grants, started and grown entrepreneurship initiatives, strengthened career readiness programs, established and expanded campus food pantries and much more. Thank you, VISTAs!



Welcome, Summer Associate VISTAs and Summer AmeriCorps Members

This month we've been busy onboarding a new set of VISTA Summer Associates and AmeriCorps members across Montana. These folks are serving with VISTA projects and nonprofit campus partners to support summer learning loss prevention, summer nutrition programs and much more.



Campus Compact Seeking Session Proposals for COMPACT20

Campus Compact is now accepting proposals for the <u>Compact20 national conference</u> that explore and connect to the theme, The Promise of Full Participation: Democracy, Opportunity, Voice. Proposals are due June 30. <u>Learn More</u>



Thank you to Outgoing Board Member, Annette Miller

Congratulations to Annette Miller on her retirement from the Montana Department of Labor and Industry. We appreciated your service on the MTCC Executive Board and your supervision of an MTCC AmeriCorps Leader. You will be missed!



Conferences, Webinars, Professional Development and Presentation RFPs

The Montana Nonprofit Association annual conference will happen in Billings, October 2-4.

The Engagement Scholarship Consortium's annual conference, whose theme is is "deepening our roots: advancing community engagement in higher education" happens October 7-9, 20-19 in Denver.

Registration is open for the Place-Based Justice Network, July 10-12 at Augsburg University in Minneapolis. <u>More information here.</u>

Inside Higher Ed invites you to attend "The Future of Public Higher Ed" on July 8-10 in Baltimore.

Registration is open for the <u>Community Development Society Conference</u>, which will take place July 14-17 at the University of Missouri.

<u>Imagining America</u> is seeking applications for their graduate and undergraduate student fellowship programs.

Association of American Colleges & Universities is seeking proposals for their 2020 Annual Meeting, which will be held January 22-25 in Washington. Proposals due July 22.

Registration is open for the IUPUI <u>Assessment Institute</u>, taking place October 13-15 in Indianapolis.

Imagining America is seeking participation for their 20th Anniversary National Gathering, "Mighty Dreams: Designing and Fostering Belonging in America" in a variety of formats. The Gathering will take place October 18-20 in Albuquerque.

The <u>International Undergraduate Journal for Service-Learning, Leadership and Social</u> Change is seeking papers.

Story to Share? Send it to Us!

The MTCC Network Office wants to share your good news! Especially those pieces related to campus-community partnership, civic engagement, service learning, volunteerism and democracy. Email your story ideas, or ready made pieces to Josh Vanek to get them included in this monthly newsletter, regularly seen by over 1000 education and community leaders across Montana.



Montana Campus Compact Affiliates:

Blackfeet Community College

Carroll College

Dawson Community College

Flathead Valley Community College

Fort Peck Community College

Great Falls College MSU

Helena College UM

Little Big Horn College

Miles Community College

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