



## **Campus Compact is Recruiting AmeriCorps and VISTA Members!**

Spring college graduates from our state are some of our best recruits for AmeriCorps and VISTA service in Montana! These full-time, paid national service positions work in support of campus community partnerships, advance important educational attainment and success initiatives, support campus food security and sovereignty projects, and veterans initiatives. Campus Compact members do it all! Positions come with health insurance, child care and a \$6000 Education Award voucher, as well as valuable professional development and experience. Our priority application deadline is April 10th, and we will begin interviewing candidates who submit earlier on a rolling basis throughout March. Our application materials can be found here.

If you would like recruitment materials, or to schedule an MTCC National Service presentation to a class or with soon-to be-graduates please contact <u>Claire Foley</u> at MTCC!



## Funding Deadline: Apply By March 2nd for Summer VISTAs

Campus Compact affiliate campuses and their partner nonprofits, schools and government agencies have the opportunity to request VISTA Summer Associate funding to support student summer placements. These ten-week (and 8 week, if necessary) positions include a biweekly living allowance (\$479 pre tax) and an end of service Education Award Voucher (\$1311) or the option of a smaller cash stipend. VISTA Summer Associates support projects to address youth summer nutrition and hunger, summer learning loss prevention, and opioid abuse prevention.

The application can be found here and is due by the end of the day on Monday, March 2nd.



## Your Voice Matters: Complete the Campus Compact Member Engagement Survey

The 2020 Campus Compact Member Engagement Survey is a new vehicle for our members to share feedback about where they are finding value in our coalition's work locally and nationally. We want to provide more of what you value and less of what you don't. We encourage all constituents to complete the survey—community engagement professionals, faculty, administrators, presidents, national service members, students, and others. Tell us what you think!

This is a NEW member survey and <u>multiple members</u> of each campus community are encouraged to complete the survey.

Take the survey here!

View the survey questions here.



## Summit of Presidents and Chancellors: March 29, 2020 in Seattle

The Compact20 Summit of Presidents and Chancellors will be a working meeting with a focus on producing actionable results for individual campuses and for Campus Compact. In particular, as we leave the Summit:

- 1. Participants will take with them practical ideas for increasing participation on their campuses, with a special focus on seizing the opportunity of 2020 to build electoral engagement and long-term commitment.
- Campus Compact will benefit from the knowledge and experience of Presidents and Chancellors as we refine a curriculum for strengthening the capacity of senior higher education leaders to catalyze positive change in civic engagement and democratic learning.

Throughout the Summit, we will be motivated by the theme Compact20—full participation—as we explore the linkages between full participation in our democracy, our economy, and our social and cultural life. Further information and registration materials are here.



## **Montana AmeriCorps VISTA Webinars Coming**

The University of Montana's VISTA Recruiter is hosting two statewide opportunities for college students to learn about AmeriCorps programs. AmeriCorps is a network of national service programs where members address critical community needs. As one branch of AmeriCorps, AmeriCorps VISTA members build capacity in nonprofit organizations and public agencies with the mission to alleviate poverty. Students can serve while still in school or commit to a year of service post-graduation.

Mallory Scharf will be hosting two free online webinar information sessions where you can

learn about types of AmeriCorps programs, benefits of serving, how to find and apply to open positions, and more!

Register in advance using the links below – you'll be sent instructions on how to join the event.

Contact Mallory Scharf at vista@umontana.edu with any questions.

March 12<sup>th</sup> 5:30 PM Online Information Session: <a href="http://bit.ly/March12AmeriCorps">http://bit.ly/March12AmeriCorps</a>
April 6<sup>th</sup> 4:00 PM Online Information Session: <a href="http://bit.ly/April6AmeriCorps">http://bit.ly/April6AmeriCorps</a>



# Compact Affiliate Benefit: Record Your Student Community Engagement Data

Annually, Campus Compact gathers data about the overall impact of college student community engagement which is <u>published in our Impact Report here</u>. Additionally, we have the <u>2019-20 survey here</u>. Campuses which submit their data receive a tailored report at the end of the academic year, and roll their students' impacts into overall statewide data, which allows the Campus Compact staff to articulate part of the community impact that higher education has in Montana to diverse constituencies. Please consider using this tool, or sharing your data from other systems. For more information and questions, please speak with <u>Andrea Vernon</u>.



## **Compact Webinar Series: Pertinent, Thoughtful and Free!**

Campus Compact's National Webinar series has returned for AY 2019-2020 with more to support and inspire you. Topics touch on issues of relevance to faculty, staff, students, and their partners in education and community building. Be sure to tune in to each session for information, tools, and resources to help you in your work. These webinars are being offered free of charge, but all participants must register in advance to receive an access link.

For more information and to register, click here.



#### \$250 Discount For Campus Compact 2020 National Conference in Seattle

Campus Compact is partnering with <u>Up to Us</u>, a leading program from Net Impact to offer \$250 off registration for Campus Compact's Compact20 national conference. Any faculty member, community engagement professional or student from a Campus Compact member institution who hosts a dialogue using select National Issues Forum Institute guides on their campus prior to <u>the conference</u> is eligible for the discount. More information on the discount is here.

Compact20 is the largest and most inclusive national conference focused on the role of higher education in building democracy and healthy communities. Sessions explore topics such as civic engagement, community-engaged research, civic- and service-learning, institutional change, campus-community partnerships, and more. Compact20 provides professional development and networking opportunities for community engagement professionals, engaged faculty, community partners, student civic leaders, and campus leaders. Current registration discounts end on November 14th.

Compact20 happens March 29-April 1, 2020 in Seattle. More information here.



# Conferences, Webinars, Professional Development, RFPs and Resources

The Montana College Access Network's Annual Conference will happen March 9-11 in Polson, Montana. More information is here.

Interfaith Youth Core's annual Interfaith Leadership Institute (ILI), will happen August 7-9, 2020 in Chicago, IL, is a three-day workshop that equips undergraduate students and educators with the skills to bring the movement for interfaith cooperation back to their campuses and communities. Learn more here, and sign up to be the first to know when registration opens in March 2020 and receive a \$50 discount. The discount code *CCILI* provides Campus Compact affiliated campuses with \$100 off the \$299

registration fee and is stackable with other discounts. Learn more here about <u>discounts</u> and scholarships.

Campus Compact's Census 2020 higher education resource page is here.

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

<u>Campus Compact's webinar series library.</u> Have some free time at lunch? Check out the webinar recordings from last year's national webinar series and increase your knowledge and skills.

Campus Election Engagement Project Newsletter. Sign up for the Campus Election Engagement Project national newsletter to stay up to date with the latest news and information from one of our trusted partners in the work of campus election engagement.

<u>Campus Compact Podcast Season 3 New Episodes!</u> Bring higher education community engagement on the go with Compact Nation Podcast! Tune in bi-weekly for conversations with leading community engagement professionals and discussions of new research and innovative work in the field. Eighteen episodes available in the third season.

<u>Campus Compact member discount</u>. Campus Compact members save 20% on books available through the online Campus Compact bookstore!

<u>Partners in Campus Community Engagement</u> will host a student Symposium on April 14, and a conference on May 27-28, 2020 in Spokane, Washington, the conference is currently accepting session proposals.

Salt Lake Community College will host the National Community College Conference on Service Learning and Community Engagement on May 29 and 30, 2020. The conference will include presentations covering a range of timely issues, interactive deep-dive sessions to create and apply concepts, and networking opportunities to continue to build the field, all with a specific focus on two-year institutions.

#### **Student Resources**

The Civic Life Project is accepting videos for the <u>Democracy 2020 Youth Film Challenge</u>, a national competition for 15-25 year olds to produce public issue oriented videos to get students engaged and voting. The fee is waived through January 31st.

## 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 <a href="Josh Vanek">Josh Vanek</a> 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

Montana State University Billings

Montana State University

Montana State University Northern

Montana Tech

Rocky Mountain College

Salish Kootenai College

The University of Montana

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