



# Congratulations 2020 George M. Dennison Scholarship Winners!

Lee Adler, University of Montana; Danny Eder, City College MSU Billings; Sharleen Gilham, Blackfeet Community College; Ashly Graham, MSU Northern; Connor Hague,

Carroll College; Caitlin Holzer, Montana State University; Ian McRyhew, Salish Kootenai College; Willow Peterson, MSU Billings; Roy Savage Jr, University of Montana; Keaton Sunchild, University of Providence and Sarah Swingley, Carroll College were selected from a highly competitive group of students receiving this prestigious award. <u>Please take</u> <u>a minute to read more about this exemplary students' and get inspired by their</u> <u>community engagement!</u> The scholarship honors students at affiliate campuses who have volunteered significant time, energy and resources – while pursuing a degree or certificate – to projects that make a meaningful difference in the lives of others. Half of the funds for each scholarship are donated in memory of George M. Dennison by Jane Dennison and sons, Rick and Robert, and their families. Dennison was a tireless champion of service and the co-founder of Montana Campus Compact. The other half of each scholarship is matched by the winners' institutions.



#### **Important Deadlines Approaching**

#### <u>Campus Compact Impact Awards</u> Now Accepting Nominations through January 7th

<u>Host an AmeriCorps VISTA</u> Now accepting applications through February 3rd\* (\*priority deadline)

Newman Civic Fellows 2020

Now Accepting Nominations through February 3rd

Host an AmeriCorps Team Accepting applications shortly!



### 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.
- 2. 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. <u>Further information and registration materials are here</u>.



# Why Our Work Matters

We ENGAGE STUDENTS in their communities We CATALYZE CAMPUSES to meet community needs We REVITALIZE DEMOCRACY through community engagement

## **MTCC's Annual Impact Report Published**

The network of Montana's eighteen campuses committed to advancing higher education's public purposes recently published its 2018-19 Impact Report <u>here</u>.



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>.



Our 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 and Early Registration Deadline Approaching for 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 <u>here</u>.

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. <u>More information is here.</u>

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

The <u>Michigan Journal of Community Service Learning</u> is seeking proposals for a special issue on centering social justice in the scholarship of community engagement. <u>Proposals</u> will be accepted until January 15.

Apply to be part of a cohort of institutions that will develop democratic engagement action plans to receive a <u>Voter Friendly Campus Designation</u> offered through NASPA and the Fair Election Center's Campus Vote Project. Priority deadline is January 30.

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

<u>Community Colleges for Democracy Newsletter.</u> Campus Compact is celebrating the great work of our community college network with a newsletter full of valuable tools, events, and information to help you prepare community college students to be informed, active, and mobilized leaders in our democracy.

<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.

<u>Campus Election Engagement Project Newsletter.</u> 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 coference is currently accepting session proposals.

#### **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 College Convention 2020 happens January 5-7 in Manchester, NH. College Convention is a national gathering of college students along with presidential candidates and staff, media, and election experts a month before New Hampshire's primary More information is <u>here</u>.

### 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 <u>Josh Vanek</u> 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 Billings Montana State University Northern Montana Tech Rocky Mountain College

