

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT (CENG)

CENG 1700 Topics in Community Engagement (1-4 Credits)

CENG 2510 Denver Urban Issues and Policy (1-2 Credits)

This course is part of the Center for Community Engagement to advance Scholarship and Learning (CCESL)'s course series, which equips students with the skills, knowledge, and commitments necessary to collaborate with communities for the public good. As members of the Denver community, we have the responsibility and right to investigate important issues and co-create solutions that center equity and inclusion. There is a wide array of actions that can be taken to create social change, depending on what the issue demands and the strengths, skills, and talents of those working for change. The aim of this course is three-fold. First, you will learn how the history of Denver, including how legacies of violence, displacement, forced migration, and resettlement of Black, Indigenous, and People of Color communities, have shaped the issues we see today. Second, the course will introduce you to some of the most critical issues facing Denver and local efforts to address those issues. Lastly, the course will provide the space for you to explore the variety of social change actions that can be taken, weighing the pros and cons of each and considering how to assess fit for the issue(s) you care about and your own strengths.

CENG 2520 Community Organizing (1,2 Credit)

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CENG 2590 From Public Good Theory to Action (1-2 Credits)

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CENG 2700 Topics in Community Engagement (1-4 Credits)

CENG 3980 Internship (1-8 Credits)

Students who complete a special project as part of an internship with a community organization can register for 1-8 Community Engagement Internship credits.

CENG 3991 Independent Study (1-10 Credits)

The Public Good Pathways Independent Study provides academic credit for reflection, integration, and synthesis of a student's current and previous work that contributes to the University of Denver's public good vision. This work is overseen by the Center for Community Engagement to advance Scholarship and Learning (CCESL) and may be completed in collaboration with one or more community partner(s). Public Good Pathways Independent Study opportunities are individually designed as experiences for students who have completed at least one community-engaged class, and they require approval from the Executive Director of CCESL.