



CENTER FOR COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT & SERVICE LEARNING:

2019 YEAR IN REVIEW

We strive to connect UHD students, faculty & staff with opportunities to learn, assist and grow in the greater Houston community.

SERVICE LEARNING COMBINING CLASSROOM LEARNING WITH COMMUNITY SERVICE

1,157 students completed SL-designated courses in 2019, serving a total of 13,419 hours.

Student-Led Community Engagement Grants

Competitive Community Engagement Grants are awarded to UHD students each semester to lead their projects in the Greater Houston Community.

TOTAL GRANTEES

- 10 in Spring 2019
- 9 in Fall 2019

NEAR NORTHSIDE (NNS)

23 community-driven projects led by faculty, staff & students

SUMMER INTERNSHIPS



22 paid internships at a variety of Non-Profit Organizations

GATORSERVE

Each year, CCESL organizes GatorServe events to commemorate two national days of service - MLK and 9/11. Hundreds of students, faculty, staff and community members volunteer.

SPRING 2019

MLK Day- Fifth Ward



FALL 2019

9/11 Day - Fifth Ward



SPRING 2019 EVENTS

Newman fellow - Mikeala Lopez

Campus Compact, a national organization, recognizes engaged students from universities and colleges across the US and internationally. Mikeala was UH's representative student.



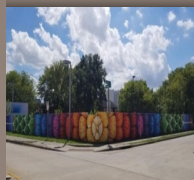
Alternative Spring Break - Service in Ecuador

13 students and 2 staff members travelled to Quito and Tena and conducted a variety of service activities with underserved and indigenous populations.



Student Highlight: Anibeth Turcios

Anibeth completed her MBA degree from UHD in 2019, and is active in the Northside community. She received two grants from CCESL to create beautiful graffiti art in the neighborhood. The project shown is on North Main Street.



Faculty Highlight: Dr. Mesias Pedroza

Dr. Pedroza has been working on community-based projects with students in most of the classes he has been teaching for the past eight years. In a given semester, Dr. Pedroza has 3 - 5 SL-designated courses. He also mentors students with their community projects. Dr. Pedroza believes students can experience deep learning by connecting classroom topics with community issues.

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HIPS / CE SHOWCASE

Faculty, staff & students presented oral, poster & round table quick talks at the showcase organized by CCESL and the Center for Teaching & Learning Excellence. 100 persons attended or presented



FALL 2019 EVENTS

Community Partners Fair 2019

The annual Community Partners Fair connectd UHD community members with area non-profits.

- 45 Community partners
- 100 Students
- 20 Faculty/Staff



Community Scholars Program

A comprehensive program to promote student success inside and outside the classroom with guided activities and mentorship. Students also participate in service activities at UHD and in local, regional and international communities.



Domestic Service Trip - San Antonio

- Service project at Haven for Hope (H4H)Community Center that serves the homeless in San Antonio
- Thirteen Gators, including seven freshmen, participated

