



Civic Engagement Report

March 25th, 2021

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Civic Engagement Activities/Progress:

1. **Newman Fellowship Scholar:** Worked with Christina Thompson during December 2020 and January 2021 in submitting an application for this prestigious opportunity and we were notified on March 3rd, 2021 that Christina did secure the fellowship.
2. **Civic Engagement Board:** I am an active participant and plan to run for Secretary for the coming year.
3. **Voter Engagement Committee:** This subcommittee of the CEC of which I am a very active member, will be working on how to better inform voters of upcoming elections and how to participate in upcoming elections.
4. **Working with students from Student Assembly and the Student Activities subcommittee to coordinate efforts on Civic Engagement.** We met on Monday, March 8th and proposed a number of civic engagement activities that must first be approved by the E-Board, and Student Assembly. We hope to schedule at least two activities prior to the end of the semester.
5. **PTODI:** Recently invited to join the PTODI so that in my role as Civic Engagement Coordinator we can work collaboratively on campus events. The objective is to educate students on civic engagement and increase a level of engagement on issues of diversity and inclusion.
 - a. **Meeting the Moment:** Participated in the panel discussion on 2/26
 - b. Met with the **Dean of Students**, Staff Assistant who works with Student Assembly and the Student Rights and Responsibilities Coordinator to collaborate on academic and student based civic engagement events.
 - c. **Rhapsody in Black:** Will represent SUNY Broome on March 20th and will participate as a member of the panel discussion following a week long viewing of the one man play.
6. **Testing an Issue Guide for the National Issues Forum Institute:** Entitled "Policing" in my Political Science classes. Will be submitting the results to NIFI in an effort to assist in revising this issue guide that they are currently developing.
7. **League of Women Voters for Broome and Tioga Counties: Director at Large on their board.** Collaborate with the League, SUNY Broome and Binghamton University on Civic Engagement events. Most notably, we conducted the 22nd Congressional District debate between Tenney/Brindisi on October 22, 2020 at WSKG studios.

8. **Turbo Vote:** Attended a conference this past summer that now qualifies SUNY Broome for two years of Turbo Vote (for free) which we put into the SWARM. Turbo Vote helped students register to vote which resulted in over 150 student registrations! This was in coordination with Student Activities and the RAs in the Student Village who lobbied their fellow students to register!
9. **Mending the Fabric of Democracy: Teaching Civic Readiness** - Participating in a series of 4 civic engagement webinars during the month of March.