

Agnes Scott College Impact Peer Leaders

Agnes Scott College's Impact Peer Leaders are students dedicated to community engagement and making a difference in the world. Through participation in the program, Impact Peer Leaders increase their knowledge of leadership and what it means to be an active citizen in a global society. By providing engaging educational and direct service experiences to their peers, Impact Peer Leaders work with the Gué Pardue Hudson Center for Leadership, Engagement and Service to be facilitators, ambassadors, and educators around the social challenges of our times.

Responsibilities for Impact Leaders include:

Facilitation

- Leaders will manage a budget to coordinate community engagement projects under their umbrella social issue
- Leaders will recruit volunteers, manage and organize all aspects at least 4 community engagement opportunities a year with at least 2 with direct service components
- Leaders will assist the Center for Leadership, Engagement and Service in facilitating education and reflection for larger campus wide community engagement opportunities

Service as an Ambassador

- Leaders will serve as liaisons for the Center for Leadership, Engagement and Service for the local and global non-profits related to their umbrella social issue
- Leaders will serve as representatives for issues concerning their umbrella social issue to the Agnes Scott community

Education

- Leaders will be informed of and educated on the sociopolitical impact of service and their umbrella social issue on a local and global level
- Leaders will be expected to remain informed on their social issue in order to serve as a resource for their peers

Program Requirements

- Attend the Impact Peer Service Leader Orientation
- Attend the Impact Peer Service Leader Retreat
- Attend the bi-weekly meetings
- Attend one-on-one meetings with Impact Peer Leader Director
- Plan and execute a minimum of 4 events over the course of the year

- Assist with major Gué Pardue Hudson Center for Leadership, Engagement and Service events including, but not limited to:
 - Scotties Serve Events
 - Mentor Walk College Immersion Day
 - Rise Against Hunger Meal Packing Event
 - Martin Luther King, Jr. Day of Leadership and Service
 - Social Challenges of Our Time Series

Program Benefits

- Practical experience in the non-profit/service field
- Serving a social issue and making an impact in an area of interest
- Be a leader in responsible and compassionate service to the Agnes Scott community
- Gain experience in program design, implementation, and presentation of social justice work

Student Learning Outcomes

- Students will be able to dissect and assess the sociopolitical components of their social issues effectively for better understanding and application to problem solving
- Students will be able to communicate the connection between social justice, their social issue, and community engagement to varying audiences
- Students will be able to critically evaluate new information: taking into consideration diverse perspectives, the impact, and significance
- Students will develop their sense of agency with complex community and global scale problems
- Students will be able to collaborate effectively for honorable and ethical civic engagement

Application Criteria and Process

Students who would like to be an Impact Peer Leader should:

- Have a demonstrated commitment and interest in serving one or more of the umbrella social issues
- Submit an application
- Must have 2.5 cumulative GPA & be in good academic status

Process

1. Students apply to the program in the fall semester
2. Applications will be reviewed and selected students will be notified and interviewed
3. 8-12 Impact Peer Student Leaders will be notified
4. Impact Peer Leaders will meet as a group to discuss topics and plan for the semester
5. Leaders will attend orientation and the retreat