



# COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT PROFESSIONAL CREDENTIAL

## READY TO BEGIN?



During an enrollment period, visit [credential.compact.org](http://credential.compact.org) to start your application and self-assessment.



Based on your self-assessment, prepare for evaluation. Participate in recommended trainings; browse resources; reflect on your experience. You may also join a cohort of applicants for support as you work toward submission.



Submit your materials for evaluation. Criteria vary by micro-credential, but all applicants will be judged on knowledge & ethics, experience, and ongoing professional development.



Receive your micro-credential & digital badge certifying your accomplishment. If your application is not successful, continue to improve and try again.



Earn six micro-credentials (four core and two elective) to earn a full certification.

*Campus Compact's Community Engagement Professional Credentialing Program will provide civic and community engagement professionals an opportunity to gain formal recognition for the knowledge and skills they develop through their careers.*

The Community Engagement Professional Credentialing Program offers a framework for community engagement professionals to grow and achieve in the field. By encouraging practitioners to reflect on and deepen their knowledge, skills, and critical commitments, we will strengthen our network of campus and community leaders in ways that yield better results for students, institutions, and communities.

The credentialing program will focus on 15 core competency areas that are key to success in higher education civic and community engagement. Professionals may earn individual micro-credentials—digital certificates recognizing knowledge, skills, experience, and critical commitments—that demonstrate their mastery in each core competency area. Ultimately, by earning six micro-credentials, three in core competencies and three across the range of 11 elective competency areas, practitioners may seek a full credential as a Campus Compact-certified community engagement professional.

### WHO SHOULD PARTICIPATE?



#### *Established engagement professionals, faculty, and scholar practitioners*

Have you built a career in community-engaged administration, teaching, research, or partnership development? Earning Campus Compact's Community Engagement Professional Credential can provide formal recognition for your years of experience and depth of knowledge.



#### *Young professionals*

Are you looking for ways to deepen your skills and expand your network? Did you just complete a year of national service? Becoming a certified community engagement professional can help you build your resume, expand your network, and take the next step in professional growth.



#### *Individuals considering careers in the field*

Are you a graduate who has been active in community-based work? A community leader who supports college student learning and partnerships? This could be the first step in the path to a career as a community engagement professional.



Micro-credentials are earned through a knowledge-action-reflection cycle. For each competency area, professionals will be expected to demonstrate knowledge, skills, and experience, while reflecting on critical commitments and identifying areas for future growth as a professional. Every applicant will be evaluated by a panel of expert reviewers using the following framework:

- **Knowledge and ethics:** What knowledge have you brought to bear in undertaking work in this area? What ethical and critical commitments inform your work?
- **Experience:** What roles have you played in advancing work in this area? What evidence can you provide to illustrate this work?
- **Critical self-reflection:** What have you learned from your experiences? What were your successes? What challenges did you face? How did you work toward their resolution?
- **Personal growth and ongoing professional development:** What are your opportunities for personal growth as a community engagement professional in this particular area? How will you continue to advance your learning?

## MICRO-CREDENTIALS AVAILABLE NOW



### *Community Engagement Fundamentals*

A general overview of community engagement work and introduction to key concepts



### *Community Partnerships*

A focus on how to create and maintain mutually beneficial and reciprocal partnerships



### *Engaged Research*

An emphasis on designing and executing ethical and collaborative engaged research



### *Supporting Engaged Faculty Development*

An emphasis on understanding the faculty experience and strategies to support faculty in teaching, service, and research



### *Community-engaged Learning and Teaching*

The ability to design and carry out curricular community-engaged learning experience that are mutually beneficial to students and community



### *Program Administration*

Managing the work needed to administer an effective community engagement program

## COMING SOON:

- **Institutionalizing Engagement:** strategies to advocate for and garner support for civic and community engagement work on campus
- **Student Civic Leadership and Development:** a knowledge of and focus on strategies that promote student civic learning and civic agency
- **Program Administration:** managing the work needed to administer an effective community engagement program
- **P-12 Engagement:** understanding of key issues associated with partnerships between campuses and P-12 organizations
- **Equity & Inclusion:** understanding strategies that promote equity and a commitment to fostering social justice
- **Place-Based Strategies:** strategies to advocate for and garner support for civic and community engagement work on campus
- **Assessment & Evaluation:** understanding how to design effective assessment and evaluation for programs, partnerships, and student learning
- **Global Engagement:** a general overview of key issues associated with community work in global contexts
- **Community Development**
- **Dialogue & Deliberation:** the ability to effectively facilitate dialogue and engagement with an understanding of change theories

## Ready to get started?

Visit [credential.compact.org](https://credential.compact.org) to find out about the micro-credentials you can earn, begin your application, learn more about submission requirements, and find resources and tools to help you start earning micro-credentials.

Questions? Get in touch!

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