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*Ettling Center for Civic Leadership & Sustainability
2017-2018 Annual Report*



EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The Ettlign Center for Civic Leadership & Sustainability had an exciting year filled with a new organizational structure that allowed for community engagement (campus, local, & global) goals to be achieved and new programs to be developed, such as the implementation of over **150** programs and activities impacting over **38,400** community members. The core values of **faith, truth, education, service, & innovation** continue to be the platform that fosters service learning opportunities to include community collaborations at all levels for those the Center serves.

At the local level, the University's Academic Deans, faculty, and students have engaged in a collaborative relationship with several K-12 educational partners, such as Southwest Independent School District, in an effort to continue building and expanding the educational pipeline from pre-kinder through professional degree programs. At the national level, we are engaged in a mentorship program in collaboration with the National Hispanic Medical Association, focusing on increasing the participation and matriculation rates of Latina/o students in health professional school programs throughout the Southwest and Nation. Moreover, we are building partnerships with other institutions of higher learning such as Kent State and Carroll College in an effort to afford our students additional opportunities to learn of issues in communities other than Central/South Texas. Internationally, we continue to support and facilitate missions in alignment with Catholic Social Teaching and demonstrate the institution's **"Mission in Action"** via our work in San Antonio, South Texas, Mexico, Peru, Guatemala, and Brazil.

The Cardinal Community Leaders Program will begin its fifth year in existence and continues to be a model of excellence which develops civic leaders who are aware of social justice issues and engage in service projects that continue to impact our local & regional communities. This year we had several of our Cardinal Community Leaders students complete their undergraduate degree programs and will be transitioning to graduate school, health professional schools and career fields as a professional. Many of the students have individually noted that their experience at UIW and as part of the Ettlign Center for Civic Leadership & Sustainability has had a **"transforming impact on their commitment to their community, and their individual growth for today and in the future."**

The Center has also been engaged in promoting internship programs to support the academic and professional needs of our outstanding students at the University of Chicago HSI/HBCU Bridge College Scholarship Program, the HACU-DC Internship Program, the WISH DC Internship Program, and the Incarnate Word Foundation Internship Program. Through these activities students are able to continue their education to gain experiences and learn about the operations of our federal government, graduate school opportunities and to develop innovative projects which serve the needs of other people through the Sisters of Charity of the Incarnate Word (CCVI) ministries.

The Ettlign Center for Civic Leadership & Sustainability prides itself to be ready and prepared to answer the call to serve in a moments notice. For example, due to numerous natural disasters impacting thousands, the Ettlign Center was asked to lead joint efforts in supporting relief efforts of the institution for those that were directly impacted by Hurricanes Harvey, Irma, and Maria and the deadly earthquakes and tremors in Southern Mexico. This is yet another example of the institution's commitment to the **"Mission in Action."**

Through the leadership of our faculty liaison, Dr. Martha Ann Kirk (CCVI), we participated in supporting the city of San Antonio's 300th anniversary celebration. Students, staff, and faculty at Incarnate Word engaged in the "Mi Casa es Su Casa" event that brought over 750 people to visit the campus and learn of the role the institution and the Sisters of Charity of the Incarnate Word (CCVI) have played in the growth and expansion of the City of San Antonio since 1718. This year the director of the Ettlign Center, Dr. Ricardo Gonzalez, worked closely with the Office of Sustainability to support and assist student and faculty involvement in sustainability efforts such as the Cardinal Technology Recycle Program, Cardinal Move Out, the Cardinal Community Garden, EcoExchangeEdu and the HACU EcoAmerica grant. These opportunities allowed for not only service but scholarship among faculty and students. The academic year culminated with the completion of the initial phase of an analysis of student service reflections being conducted by Drs. Susan Hall and Sandra Guzman-Foster. Their research project will assist the Center better understand the needs of our students and their understanding of the charism of the institution.

In closing, the Center is blessed to have the opportunity to play an integral role in the transformation of our students, support the needs of our faculty, and impact the global communities we serve. We look forward to the 2018-2019 academic year in which we plan to celebrate the five year anniversary of the vision of Sr. Dot with the inception of the Ettlign Center for Civic Leadership & Sustainability by continuing to meet the core values of the mission of the University of Incarnate Word and the vision of President Evans.

Praise be the Incarnate Word,

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Associate Provost for Civic Engagement &
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Dr. Ricardo Gonzalez

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Sustainability



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MISSION & VISION

In 2013, The University of the Incarnate Word (UIW) in partnership with CHRISTUS Health (CHRISTUS) and support from the Sisters of Charity of the Incarnate Word created the Ettling Center for Civic Leadership (ECCL). In the Fall of 2017, the Ettling Center for Civic Leadership was reorganized to include the Office of Sustainability; thus establishing the **Ettling Center for Civic Leadership & Sustainability (ECCLS)**.

The **Mission** of the **Ettling Center for Civic Leadership & Sustainability** in the spirit of Christian service, is to: **develop civically engaged, ecologically minded students who promote social justice in partnership with diverse local and global communities while helping those in need, poor, and sick.**

The **Vision** Statement expands on the mission:

- *Is a partnership between the University of the Incarnate Word and CHRISTUS Health, with an initiative guided by the principles of Catholic Social Teaching.*
- *Is dedicated to promoting the common good by educating enlightened and concerned leaders committed to learning, research, advocacy, and service for those in most need.*
- *Promotes civically-engaged leaders collaborating in partnership with local and global community stakeholders to achieve individual/social transformation while respecting the dignity of each individual and all creation.*
- *Supports, promotes and brings awareness to UIW and the San Antonio community of the balance of human development and growth with the welfare of the natural world, both in the present and for the future, to meet the ecological needs in ways that protect and restore the natural environment.*



2017-2018 GOALS

In preparation for the 2017-2018 academic year, the Ettlign Center for Civic Leadership & Sustainability (ECCLS) Director & the Associate Provost for Civic Engagement & Sustainability developed the following **metrics**:

- ◆ Increase the number of people served/impacted by ECCLS Sponsored Programs by 10% by 5/31/18; (From 15,838 to at least 17,422) **Goal Achieved ✓, 38,494**
- ◆ Increase the number of ECCLS Sponsored Programs by 10% by 5/31/18; (From 131 to 144) **Goal Achieved ✓, 154**
- ◆ Maintain a 90% persistence, 85% retention and 85% graduate rate of all participating Cardinal Community Leaders for AY 17-18. **Goal Achieved ✓**
- ◆ Maintain a 90% persistence, 85% retention and 85% graduate rate of all UIW student Cardinal Latinas participating in the Cardinal Latina Mentoring Program for AY 17-18. **Goal Achieved ✓**
- ◆ Increase by 10% the number of students involved and engaged in programming conducted by the Sustainability Scholars for AY 17-18. (From 171 to 188) **Goal Achieved ✓, 229**
- ◆ Increase by 10% the number of SWISD students involved and engaged as part of programming conducted as part of the UIW/SWISD Collaborative Initiative for AY 17-18. (From 918 to 1,010) **Goal Achieved ✓, 2,963**
- ◆ Increase by 25% the number of Memorandums of Understanding (MOU's) with Community Based Organizations (CBO's) by 5/31/18 ; research demonstrates students engaged in university programs and services have a higher rate of persistence, retention and graduation compared to students not involved in similar activities. (From 22 to 26) **Goal Achieved ✓, 44**
- ◆ Increase by 10% the number of participants of ECCL's Health Mission Trips and the impact they can and will have to promote UIW's local, regional, national and international brand by 5/31/18. (From 59 to 65) **Goal Achieved ✓, 119**
- ◆ Identified the number of academic service learning courses offered by UIW faculty for the AY 17-18; **In Process**
- ◆ Host one UIW Service Learning "best practices/showcase" event by 5/31/18. **Goal Achieved ✓**
- ◆ Update and reformat ECCLS website and media by 5/31/18 in an effort to increase UIW's local, regional, national and international brand. **In Process**
- ◆ Develop, create and implement a Pilot Co-Curricular Transcript with the Feik School of Pharmacy by 5/31/18. **Goal Achieved ✓**
- ◆ Submit at least three competitive grants to support programs and services conducted by 5/31/18. **Goal Achieved ✓, 3**

PROGRAMS & SERVICES

Student Engagement	Community Partnerships	School/University Partnerships	Global Service	Sustainability	Faculty Engagement
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cardinal Community Leaders Program • NHMA College Health Scholars Program • Civility Week • Voter Registration • Alternative Spring Break • DiversiTEA • Cardinal Camp • Cardinal Move-In • Light the Way • Peace & Social Justice • Cultural Awareness • Education Awareness • Social Awareness • Internships Programs 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • UIW Day of Service • Cardinal Latina Mentoring Program • Naturalization Ceremony • Dream Week Forum • Meet the Mission • Natural Disaster Relief • Golden Harvest-Food Drive • Golden Harvest-5K • Calvary of Hope • LLS-Light the Night • Community Engagement Initiative • Tricentennial Programs 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Southside P-20 Initiative • Health Academy • College/Career Expo • School Vaccinations • K-12 Eye Examinations • Health/Wellness Initiative • STEM Summer Camps • Health Professions Summer Camp • CCL SWISD Service Initiative • Outreach Initiative • K-12 Academic Support • College Readiness 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Oaxaca Health Mission • San Antonio/Regional Missions • ARISE Summer Mission • ARISE Winter Mission • Chimbote, Peru • UIW Mexico Exchange • UIW Legacy Service Travel Fund 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sustainability Scholars/Ambassadors • Cardinal Tech Recycle Program • Cardinal Move Out • Cardinal/Community Gardens • Basura Bash/Cardinal Beach Cleanup • Sustainability Conferences • Eco ExchangeEdu • HACU/Eco America Grant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Carnegie Classification • Cardinals Sync: Co-Curricular Transcript • Service Learning Showcase • Service Learning Committee • Gathering • Reflection Analysis • Interfaith Grant

student engagement



"I had the opportunity to help one family clean up their property so that they could begin to rebuild their grandmother's home after the hurricane hit the Gulf Coast. During this experience, I gained a new sense of accomplishment and my problems did not seem so bad compared to the loss and devastation of what others were going through."

Anna A.

Criminal Justice

Corpus Christi, Texas



I. STUDENT ENGAGEMENT

In an effort to differentiate programs, and services conducted by the **Ettling Center for Civic Leadership & Sustainability**, activities are organized under six categories, the first is **Student Engagement**. Student Engagement programs, services, and activities are those that mainly focus on interactions with the on-campus community, which include the following:

- Cardinal Community Leaders Program
- Cardinal Camp
- Social Awareness
- NHMA College Health Scholars Program
- Cardinal Move-In
- Internships Program
- Civility Week
- Light the Way
- Voter Registration
- Peace & Social Justice
- Alternative Spring Break
- Cultural Awareness
- DiversiTEA
- Education Awareness



Student Engagement Program Summary

Cardinal Community Leaders Program (CCL)

The Ettling Center coordinates the Cardinal Community Leaders (CCL) program, a model program that encourages students to develop civic leadership competencies and increase awareness of social justice issues from extended service experiences both locally and globally. As a collective group, the CCL's conducted over **2,500** hours of community service impacting over **4,000** children, adults and senior citizens during the 2017-2018 academic year.

NHMA College Health Scholars Program

The Center hosted the first NHMA College Health Scholars Program in April of 2018. The purpose of this program in coordination with the National Hispanic Medical Association is to increase awareness, participation, and matriculation of Latina/o students to health professional school programs throughout the United States. The San Antonio Regional Program coordinated by the Ettling Center was one of three programs throughout the nation (Los Angeles & Washington DC). The event was attended by **83** students which exceeded the goal of 50. The initial cohort of attendees included 56 college students and 27 high school students, representing 3 colleges and 11 high schools.

Civility Week

The Ettling Center for Civic Leadership & Sustainability in collaboration with Student Life have hosted and promoted programmatic events for Civility Week over the past three years. Programs and events are conducted to celebrate the institution's commitment in supporting a community of persons of diverse backgrounds, in the belief that mutual respect and interaction advances the discovery of truth, mutual understanding, self-realization, and the common good. This year, roughly **456** students participated in programs conducted during this three-day long celebration.

Voter Registration Initiative

The Ettling Center in collaboration with UIW student organizations, Student Engagement, and the local non-profit MoveOnSA.org hosted two voter registration programs for the 2017-2018 academic year in the New Student Engagement Center. Roughly **185** students participated in the awareness activities. Plans will begin during the summer of 2018 to educate the campus community on local, regional, and national elections for the Fall of 2018.

Alternative Spring Break

The Ettling Center for Civic Leadership & Sustainability assists and supports Mission & Ministry's Alternative Spring Break activities that take place in the local community. This year's activity was supporting a local family with landscaping and painting. Approximately **115** students participated in this year's event and assisted with providing roughly **690** hours of service to the community.

DiversiTEA

The Ettling Center for Civic Leadership & Sustainability in collaboration with the Office of Student Engagement assisted with the development of a renewed tradition of "Tea Time/Collation" at UIW. The daily tradition of "Collation" of the Sisters of Charity of the Incarnate Word, dates as far back as 1867 even before the establishment of the Incarnate Word College in 1886. The Sisters would gather for a break each afternoon when they returned to the convent from teaching in the local schools and helping in the hospitals. The Sisters would reflect and spend time with each other over tea and bread or cookies. **1,112** students, faculty and community members participated in this year's celebration of tea and cultures from around the world that included Egypt, China, Pakistan, Ireland, Uganda, Finland, Bahrain and Peru to name a few.

Cardinal Camp

Cardinal Camp is a two-day extended orientation program conducted by the Office of Student Engagement that welcomes UIW students to the campus community by educating them on the various programs, services, and traditions of the institution. Participants also have the opportunity to meet fellow students and learn about life at UIW. In August of 2017, **166** students participating in Cardinal Camp conducted **332** hours of community service by writing over **995** postcards to veterans and children ill at local hospitals as part of the Center's effort of indoctrinating students of the institution's mission of service.

Cardinal Move In

In an effort to assist new and returning students to the campus in the Fall of each year, the university hosts "UIW Move-In." This event held on August 24-25, 2017, encourages student volunteers to support and assist parents and students in unloading and gathering belongings to "move in" to their residence halls in preparation of a new academic school year. The Ettling Center in collaboration with Residence Life was able to assist with the volunteer services of **74** students totaling **296** hours of service.

Light the Way

Each Fall the University of the Incarnate Word opens the campus to the San Antonio community to celebrate the Holiday Season. Guests enjoy musical performances and await the annual lighting of the campus as part of the Official *UIW Light the Way* event held the weekend of Thanksgiving. The Ettling Center has played a key role over the past three years in assisting with "the call for volunteers" for prep days and for the actual day of the event. This year, **286** students volunteered to assist with this campus-wide event and provided **858** hours of community service.

Peace & Social Justice

Concepts of peace and social justice are central in The Bible and a central value of UIW and the Ettling Center. From their very first days, the founders of the university, the Sisters of Charity of the Incarnate Word, have promoted the human dignity of all people. The ideas and concepts of peace as the fruit of justice that began as a "Peace Fair" in 1986, have expanded into many educational, prayerful, and celebrative events throughout the whole month of October with special emphasis on the last Wednesday of October near the anniversary of Dr. O'Halloran's death, a significant friend and partner of the Sisters of Charity of the Incarnate Word (CCVI's). This year the ECCLS supported and assisted with over **15** programs conducted on and off the university campus reaching over **550** participants.

Cultural Awareness

UIW aims to educate men and women who will become concerned and enlightened citizens within the global community. Thus, the Office of Student Life, Residence Life, and Ettlting Center for Civic Leadership & Sustainability conduct various programs, activities, discussions, and services to promote Native American, Hispanic Heritage, International, and Black History Awareness. Roughly **855** students attended the numerous programs, activities, and events celebrating these cultures and customs within our community.

Education Awareness

UIW aims to educate men and women who have an understanding of the community and population for whom they serve and assist. The Ettlting Center for Civic Leadership & Sustainability assisted, supported, and sponsored activities and events to highlight Diwali, the Festival of Colors, and Women's Month. Roughly **820** students attended the numerous programs and events celebrating these and other educational awareness activities on the UIW campus.

Social Awareness

The Ettlting Center for Civic Leadership & Sustainability is a proponent of student development in formal and informal environments. Thus, the Center assisted with hosting numerous programs throughout the academic year such as Earth Week, Fall Tailgate, Soccer Night, Leadership Lecture, Cardinal Community Potluck, and the Associate Provost Student Luncheons. The purpose of these type of informal/social events is to encourage networking, open discussion, and development of "soft/essential" skills, which are crucial in today's professional work environment. Approximately **115** students participated in this year's social events within our community.



Internship Programs

In an effort to academically, personally, and professionally prepare undergraduate, graduate, and professional students for numerous outstanding internship programs such as HACU, WISH DC, and the Incarnate Word Foundation, the Ettlting Center for Civic Leadership & Sustainability assists in the facilitation and application preparation of these internship opportunities.

University of Chicago HSI/HBCU Bridge Scholarship Program

The University of Chicago's Graham School offers merit-based, full tuition Bridge Scholarships for graduates of select Hispanic-Serving Institutions (HSIs) and Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCUs) to study for three quarters at the University of Chicago as graduate students. ECCLS has assisted and supported two students to be part of this program for the past two years.

HACU DC Internship Program

The Ettlting Center for Civic Leadership & Sustainability assists and supports undergraduate students in applying in the HACU Internship Program. The semester-long internship opportunity which includes a weekly seminar with field experts and policy practitioners is mainly set for participation in Washington DC during the Fall, Spring or Summer semesters. Since reinstating this program in the Fall of 2017, six students have completed the application process with **1** receiving an internship in the Spring of 2018.

WISH DC Internship Program

The University of the Incarnate Word's Washington in Student Housing Internship (WISH) program, which is coordinated by the Ettlting Center, assists and supports undergraduate students in applying and participating in a 32 hour/ work-week semester-long internship opportunity which includes a weekly seminar with experts and policy practitioners. **One** UIW undergraduate student participated in the WISH DC program in the summer of 2017.

Incarnate Word Foundation (IWF) Internship Program

The Ettlting Center for Civic Leadership & Sustainability in collaboration with the College of Humanities and Social Sciences (CHASS) has selected **1 recent UIW graduate** to be the inaugural participant in this six week summer internship program with the Incarnate Word Foundation in St. Louis, Missouri. The student will work with two other students from the University of Monterrey Tech to develop and support program efforts of the Sisters in the local St. Louis community.



STUDENT HIGHLIGHTS

Courtney Schmidt-Cohort 2**Major: Business Administration****What's Next?**

Courtney Schmidt graduated in May 2018 from the UIW HEB School of Business with a Master's in Business Administration.

**Lupe Sotelo-Cohort 2****Major: Nursing****What's Next?**

Lupe Sotelo graduated with a Bachelor of Science in Nursing in December 2017 from the UIW Ile Faye Miller School of Nursing.

**Jessica Thompson-Cohort 2****Major: Biochemistry****What's Next?**

Jessica Thompson graduated in December 2017 with a Bachelor of Science in Biochemistry. She is currently an Associate Scientist at DPT, a Mylan Company.

**Yasmine Lainez-Cohort 2****Major: Nutrition/Biology****What's Next?**

Yasmine Lainez graduated in December 2017 with a Bachelor of Science in Nutrition/Biology. Yasmine is working on acceptance into the UT Health Science Center School of Dentistry.

**Anastasia Monroy-Cohort 3****Major: Sociology****What's Next?**

Anastasia Monroy graduated in May 2018 with a Bachelor of Arts in Sociology. She will be entering the University of Arlington's online Master's program in Social Work and will specialize in children and families.

**Mariaelena Boyle-Cohort 3****Major: Biochemistry****What's Next?**

Mariaelena Boyle graduated in May 2018 with a Bachelor of Science in Biochemistry. She is set to start at McGovern Medical School- UT Health Houston in summer 2018.

**Karen Le Cao-Cohort 3****Major: Vision Science****What's Next?**

Karen Le Cao graduated in May 2018 with a Bachelor in Vision Science. She will be entering the UIW Rosenberg School of Optometry in fall of 2018.

**Elizabeth Morales-Cohort 3****Major: Communication Arts****What's Next?**

Elizabeth Morales graduated in December 2017 with a Bachelor of Arts in Communication Arts. She plans on entering UTSA's Master's program in Public Administration and is also working at Southern Bexar Community, a non-profit she established while being a CCL.

**Lauren Axler-Cohort 3****Major: Health Sciences****What's Next?**

Lauren Axler graduated in December 2017 with a Bachelor of Science in Health Sciences in Administration.

**Tyler Seno-Cohort 3****Major: Biology****What's Next?**

Tyler Seno graduated in December 2017 with a Bachelor of Science in Biology. He is currently pursuing entrance into medical school.

**Alejandro Cerrillo-Cohort 4****Major: Vision Science****What's Next?**

Alejandro Cerrillo was accepted into the UIW Rosenberg School of Optometry and is set to start fall 2018.

**Alejandra Escobar-Cohort 4****Major: Psychology****What's Next?**

Alejandra Escobar graduated in May 2018 with a Bachelor of Arts in Psychology. She will begin a summer internship in St. Louis, Missouri received from the Incarnate Word Foundation and work on developing a week-long summer leadership camp for Latino youth. Aly is also waiting to receive confirmation of her acceptance into the University of Chicago HIS/HBCU Bridge Scholarship Program.

**Hannah Albrightson-Cohort 4****Major: Philosophy/Psychology****What's Next?**

Hannah Albrightson graduated in May 2018 with a Bachelor's in Philosophy/Psychology. She received the Philo-Sophia award, an award from the philosophy department for excellence in philosophy. Hannah will begin working full-time in the fall as an assistant preschool teacher.





community partnerships



"My life changed once I came to UIW. The academic programs were what I had hoped, the friends I made I knew would be for a lifetime, but what transformed me has been the amazing opportunities I have had of serving and assisting others via community service. I have had the pleasure of volunteering at Sacred Heart Catholic School, spending quality time with senior citizens at UIW's Village, translating for patients needing assistance in Oaxaca as part of an annual health mission in Mexico. But I feel I learned the most during a summer in the Río Grande valley and working with children in one of the ARISE colonias. These children who lived with limited resources and limited facilities taught me how much more important it is to be rich in life, love, and family."

Alejandra E.

Psychology

Floresville, Texas



II. COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS

Community Partnerships services, programs, and activities are those that mainly focus on interactions with numerous non-profit, K-12, governmental, community and religious organizations. As of May of 2018, ECCLS has established formal service relationships as part of Memorandums of Understanding with **44** entities throughout San Antonio, Texas, and the Nation.

- **UIW Day of Service**
- **Cardinal Latina Mentoring Program**
- **Naturalization Ceremonies**
- **Meet the Mission**
- **DreamWeek Forum**
- **Natural Disaster Relief**
- **Golden Harvest Food Drive**
- **Golden Harvest 5K**
- **Calvary of Hope**
- **LLS-Light the Night**
- **Community Engagement Initiative**
- **Tricentennial**

Community Partnerships Summary

UIW Day of Service

The Ettling Center for Civic Leadership & Sustainability was asked to support and assist with President Evans' Inauguration Week of Activities which included "the Word in Action" day of service. The Center coordinated "on campus" activities while Mission and Ministry assisted with "off campus" programming. Roughly **165** students, faculty, and staff assisted with the day of service activities, which resulted in approximately **660** hours of community service.

Cardinal Latina Mentoring Program (CLMP)

The Latina Leadership Institute (LLI) formed by the San Antonio Hispanic Chamber of Commerce (SAHCC) and the Ettling Center for Civic Leadership & Sustainability (ECCLS) in the Fall of 2015 developed a mentoring program between Latina leaders within the community and UIW undergraduates. The purpose of the Cardinal Latina Mentoring Program (CLMP) is to enhance the persistence, retention and graduation rates of Latina UIW undergraduate students in partnership with a committed and dedicated Latina professional. The White House Initiative on Educational Excellence for Hispanics recognized this program as part of its national call for Commitments to Action in honor of its 25th anniversary. Of the **25** Cardinal Latina students that have participated in the program **20 have graduated**.

Naturalization Ceremonies

The Ettling Center hosted the staff of United States District Judge Xavier Rodriguez at the UIW Sky Room on August 15, 2017 for the Naturalization of over **290** new Americans and a total of over **750** guests. Those being naturalized represented over 50 countries and were congratulated by UIW President Dr. Thomas Evans during his keynote address. The Center hosted **195** new citizens and a total of **465** guests at the April Naturalization Ceremony. Plans have begun to host a similar event in Spring of 2019.

Meet the Mission

The Ettling Center for Civic Leadership & Sustainability assisted and supported the 2017 Meet the Mission project sponsored by UIW Faculty in collaboration with Mission & Ministry. With the assistance of the CardinalsSync Software System, the Ettling Center was able to ascertain valuable data from the various projects conducted by the over **225** participants in the event comprising over **1,575** hours of community service collectively.

DreamWeek Community Forum

Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity Inc. in coordination with the Ettlign Center for Civic Leadership & Sustainability hosted the Inaugural DreamWeek Community Forum to commemorate San Antonio's DreamWeek honoring the life and legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. The event which took place in the Student Engagement Center in January of 2018 focused on the question: Did Integration Ruin America? The event provided 3 UIW faculty to be guest facilitators and have breakout sessions for the approximate 98 participants to discuss integration within the workplace, residential neighborhoods, and judicial system.

Natural Disaster Relief

The University demonstrated its continued commitment to **Mission** and walked in the footsteps of the Sisters of Charity of the Incarnate Word by supporting relief efforts to those most in need that were impacted by the natural disasters in Fall 2017, which included Hurricanes Harvey, Irma & Maria and the earthquakes in Mexico. At the request of President Evans, the Ettlign Center for Civic Leadership & Sustainability, Mission & Ministry, and Campus Engagement played lead roles in working with numerous campus partners to provide support and assistance to the San Antonio Food Bank, Catholic Charities, the American Red Cross and the South Texas Blood & Tissue Center. Items donated included clothing, diapers, water, and cleaning supplies. As a result over 120 students, faculty, and staff provided disaster relief in numerous ways including donating items and providing assistance in gathering/distributing items totaling over 480 hours of service. Additionally, Over \$1,500 was gathered in money to help with relief efforts.

Golden Harvest-Food Drive

The University of the Incarnate Word was founded by three French sisters of the Charity of the Incarnate Word. Their focus and mission was to care for those less fortunate, in need of assistance and provide charity. It is with this framework that UIW's Student Government Association created and established Golden Harvest. Since 2012, UIW has conducted this annual fall (November) campaign to gather canned goods to help the Greater San Antonio area. As a result of this campus community effort, the university has collected over six tons of canned food to help those in need. The Ettlign Center for Civic Leadership & Sustainability, Health/Wellness, and Student Engagement worked together to collect 5365.9 pounds of food to ensure residents of our community serviced by St. Vincent De Paul had nutritional items for the 2017 Thanksgiving season.

Golden Harvest-5K

UIW's Ettlign Center, Dimensions of Wellness, Student Government Association in collaboration with St. Vincent De Paul has hosted a 5K in alignment with the Golden Harvest Annual service event for the past two years. The purpose of this event is to promote health & wellness, encourage the local community to become engaged in one of UIW's philanthropies and to support a local charity. This year's event had 196 participants which provided roughly \$1,000 in support to St. Vincent De Paul initiatives.

Calvary of Hope

UIW's School of Business Professor Dr. Tracie Edmonds' non-profit Calvary of Hope has partnered with the Ettlign Center for Civic Leadership & Sustainability over the past three years to engage university students with local non-profits in an effort to offer student experiential learning opportunities while addressing needs of the community. Activities for the 2017-2018 academic year included a Holiday Cardinal Race (adapted from the Amazing Race concept), Santa's Workshop, and Games of Hope. These innovative and creative student led activities have impacted over 1,200 local students and 25 single families.

Leukemia & Lymphoma Society's-Light the Night

The San Antonio Area Leukemia & Lymphoma Society has partnered with UIW for the past three years in an effort to bring awareness and raise funds to support cancer research. Since 2015, the Ettlign Center for Civic Leadership & Sustainability has led the university's effort, raising over **\$12,000** in the past three years. Involvement and participation continues to increase each and every year with a small contingency of students, faculty, and staff personally participating in San Antonio's *Annual Light the Night* walk event held each October.

Community Engagement Initiative

The Ettlign Center for Civic Leadership & Sustainability has established strong relationships with numerous non-profit, religious, and governmental partners. In an effort to continue to ensure reciprocal benefits for our partners and the institution, the Center has hosted a community service fair and hosts an annual community appreciation luncheon. As a result, the Center has formalized with **44** organizations over the past three years.

UIW 300 Tricentennial Celebration- "Mi Casa Es Su Casa"

The City of San Antonio celebrated its 300th year anniversary in 2018. The University of the Incarnate Word hosted the "Mi Casa Es Su Casa" to highlight and showcase the various ministries of the institution and their impact on the development and growth of San Antonio during its 300 years of existence. Approximately **750** people visited the UIW main campus on Sunday, April 15th to celebrate the city's Tri-centennial as part of the "Mi Casa Es Su Casa" community day. The day's activities included performances from numerous native folkloric dancers, schools, ethnic groups, story tellers and choral singers. Tours of the campus, the university's gardens, the Brackenridge Villa and the chapel of the Incarnate Word were also conducted. The Center helped coordinate **92** volunteers to assist and support the day's events providing approximately **414** hours of service.

Tricentennial-Cherishing Creation

UIW was accepted as a City of San Antonio Tricentennial Partner in the "Serve 300 SA" area and is in the middle of "Serving in Sustainability Projects, Cultivating Compassionate Care for All of Creation," a project of **300 hours** of service and learning. In the 1890's, the Sisters sacrificed to buy the Headwaters property believing that nature is spiritually renewing and educationally beneficial. In August of 2018, UIW will host teachers and other local educators in an effort to share basic information and skills for starting school community gardens. We are "growing a legacy of service" with many branches of community gardening, pollination gardens, rooting out invasive species and nurturing native plants, documenting trees, conducting on-going sustainability research, and working with local partners to ensure that we meet the ecological needs in ways that protect and restore the natural environment. The *San Antonio Express-News*, *Today's Catholic* newspaper and *Global Sisters Report* have had articles featuring the efforts and initiatives of UIW and the Ettlign Center for Civic Leadership & Sustainability.





school/university partnerships



"I had never volunteered at Haven for Hope before and I really enjoyed it. They make such an abundance of food for everyone and man does it go quickly! I started my shift prepping breakfast for the next day and I had never cracked so many eggs in my life! You do not realize how simple and how important one egg can mean to a person. As a result of my experience here at Haven, I will try not to take things for granted in the future, especially the small ones."

Samantha A.

Biology

San Antonio, Texas



III. SCHOOL/UNIVERSITY PARTNERSHIPS

School/University Partnerships were established in an effort to build strong collaborations with local K-12 entities that will enhance, improve and increase the matriculation, participation and enrollment rates of local students.

- Health Academy Initiative
- College/Career Expo
- School Vaccinations
- K-12 Eye Examinations
- STEM Summer Camps
- Health/Wellness Initiative
- Health Professions Camp
- CCL SWISD Service Initiative
- Outreach Initiatives
- Academic Support
- College Readiness

School/University Summary

Health Academy Initiative

The Ettlign Center in collaboration with the Dean of the School of Physical Therapy with the guidance of the Provost is in support of the development and implementation of a health academy that will support the academic, community, and professional needs of the area served by the south/southwest side of San Antonio. Planning and discussions will continue throughout the 2018-2020 academic years which will include visits to other health professional campuses in Texas and the Nation to ensure the successful implementation of a unique model of excellence for the community.

College & Career Expo

The Ettlign Center for Civic Leadership & Sustainability has hosted two College & Career Exploration days for middle school students over the past two years. Roughly **2,100** eighth grade students have participated in this one-day career informational program held on the UIW Main Campus for Southwest ISD middle school campuses. The 2018-2019 academic year College & Career Exploration Day is scheduled for October 19, 2018.

School Vaccinations

UIW's School of Osteopathic Medicine, Feik School of Pharmacy, and Miller School of Nursing & Health Professions in coordination with the Ettlign Center conducted health immunizations for students in Southside, Southwest, San Antonio, Edgewood, and South San Antonio ISD's. This collaborative initiative in association with The University Health System provided **1,087** students with **2,219** doses of immunizations during the 2017-2018 academic year.

K-12 Eye Examinations

UIW's Rosenberg School of Optometry in coordination with the Ettlign Center began a pilot program of providing full eye examinations in the Spring of 2018 for Southwest ISD elementary students. Of the **119** participating students, **107** were diagnosed with "abnormal eye examination" which required **104** students to need corrective eye glasses, **3** others will require additional corrective eye support. As a result of this collaboration, socio-economic status of the participating students, **104** students needing glasses, received a free pair due to the support of the Essilor Vision Foundation.

STEM Summer Camps

Over 60 Southwest ISD, San Antonio ISD, and St. Anthony Catholic Middle School students (boys & girls) participated in UIW's Math, Science & Engineering Mini-GEMS & Mini-SEMs summer camps in collaboration with the Ettlign Center during the 2017-2018 academic year. During the math and science summer camps, students were able to design underwater robots, conduct scientific lab experiments, work on drones and Autonomous Vehicle Systems (AVS).

Health/Wellness Initiative

UIW's Community Health Education & Kinesiology's Principle of Health students in association with the Ettlign Center conducted health/wellness presentations for elementary students on the importance of "Health & Wellness". Over **1,100** Southwest ISD students benefited from these health/wellness presentations conducted by UIW students. An extension of this effort between the School of Nursing, the Dreeben School of Education, and Southwest ISD included the development of a leadership academy for **350** SWISD middle school student athletes which highlighted leadership skills, communication tools, time management, and anti-bullying discussions.

Health Professions Summer Camp

UIW's Health Professional Schools (Feik School of Pharmacy, Rosenberg School of Optometry, Miller School of Nursing & Health Professions, School of Osteopathic Medicine & School of Physical Therapy) hosted **31** Southwest ISD high school students as part of a Health Professions Summer Camp in July of 2017. The focus of the camp was to educate students on the various opportunities, academic requirements and criteria in applying, persisting and graduating from a health profession program. The 2018 Health Professions Summer Camp will take place the week of July 10-13, 2018 and plans to serve 35 students.

Cardinal Community Leader-Southwest ISD Service Initiative

The Center's Cardinal Community Leader Program assisted and supported the inaugural Anti-Bullying District Rally for Southwest ISD in the Spring of 2017 which attracted over 500 students and community members. As a result, the Cardinal Community Leaders as part of their service commitment to the community for the 2017-2018 academic year took on a larger role in supporting the needs of SWISD by focusing on the following service initiatives of the district: Clothing Closet, Endorsement Pathways, Adult Education/After-School Tutoring Program, Community 5K and their continued work with the Anti-Bullying initiative. As a result over **9,000** members of the Southwest ISD community benefitted from the services and activities of the CCL's via their work in donating over **600** pieces of clothing, conducting over **120** hours of after-school tutoring, assisting with over **600** members of the community participating in the community 5k and over **7,000** students engaged in the year-long anti-bullying program.

Outreach Initiative

The Ettlign Center for Civic Leadership & Sustainability staff assists with numerous non-academic activities that support K-12 students to learn of the institution's openness of all students from all ages, backgrounds and grade levels. These type of events include Halloween "trick-o-treating", Easter Egg Hunt and Christmas events. The Center assists and supports many of these activities for our local schools and schools districts. This year, roughly **126** school age students participated in these type of events coordinated by the Ettlign Center.

K-12 Academic Support

During the course of the academic year, the Ettlign Center for Civic Leadership & Sustainability receives numerous requests to assist and support career & college fairs at the elementary or middle school level. Additionally, the Center receives requests for volunteers for numerous school events including judges for science, math, or other academic competitions. This year, the Center coordinated several faculty, staff, and students to provide academic support for these type of events. Approximately **3,450** students from various school campuses were impacted by the coordination of the Center's academic support efforts.

College Readiness

UIW's Office of Admissions conducts numerous activities throughout the year to promote the university and recruit prospective students to the university. The Ettlign Center supports and assists in these activities via coordination of volunteer support, conducting a presentation on the Center, visiting with Parents, visiting with new students at New Student Orientations or at Open House events. The Center will continue to play a role to support the matriculation of undergraduate, graduate, and non-traditional students to the university.



global service



"I knew gardening made people happy, but I never knew I would fall so deeply in love with it. I had the opportunity of volunteering at Gardopia on the Eastside of San Antonio. My experience there has encouraged me to do so much more to help people in the community so that they can have access to healthy foods and have access to a vibrant garden in the midst of concrete."

Kathleen A.

Psychology

San Antonio, Texas



IV. GLOBAL SERVICE

The Ettlign Center for Civic Leadership & Sustainability will continue to support missions to help the sick, the poor, and those less fortunate in alignment with the mission of the institution and in association with the ministries of the Sisters of Charity of the Incarnate Word.

- Oaxaca Health Mission
- San Antonio/Regional Missions
- ARISE Summer Mission
- ARISE Winter Health Mission
- Chimbote, Peru
- UIW Mexico Exchange
- UIW Legacy Service Travel Fund



Global Service Summary

Oaxaca Health Mission

UIW's Ettlign Center for Civic Leadership & Sustainability led the annual Health Mission to Oaxaca, Mexico in collaboration with Los Quijotes of San Antonio-Health Ambassadors September 1-8, 2017. The UIW Health Mission team consisted of a team of **22** students, staff and faculty to support the needs of annual Health Mission. UIW Health Professional Schools that participated in the 2017 Health Mission Trip included the Rosenberg School of Optometry, Feik School of Pharmacy and School of Physical Therapy. Over **2,000** patients were served and approximately **5,000** medical procedures were conducted to serve the indigenous population of Oaxaca. The week-long health mission was abruptly cut short due to an earthquake and subsequent aftershocks that occurred on Friday, September 8, 2017.

San Antonio/Regional Health Missions

In an effort to assist and support the health and wellness needs of the San Antonio and regional community, UIW's School of Osteopathic Medicine, Feik School of Pharmacy, and the Ila Faye Miller School of Nursing & Health Professions in collaboration with the Ettlign Center has come together to provide various services to local school districts, community centers, and the homeless shelter Haven for Hope. As a result of this intra-professional collaboration roughly, **685** health professional students provided the community with approximately **2,397** hours of service.

ARISE Summer Mission

The University of the Incarnate Word's Ettlign Center for Civic Leadership & Sustainability led its 3rd annual summer camp for children served by the ARISE non-profit community based organization located in the Lower Rio Grande Valley of South Texas. Faculty, staff, and students from UIW conducted various activities to further enhance the personal and educational growth of the children who participated in the week-long summer program. Over **600** children attended the June 12-16, 2017 program which was supported by a UIW team of **33** members providing over **1,300** hours of community service.

ARISE Winter Health Mission

The University of the Incarnate Word's Rosenberg School of Optometry and the Ila Faye Miller School of Nursing and Health Professions in coordination with the Ettlign Center for Civic Leadership & Sustainability conducted its 2nd Annual Arise Winter Health Mission in the Lower Rio Grande Valley (Pharr, Texas) December 18-20, 2017. The UIW Winter Health Mission Team was comprised of **50** members of the UIW community from the Ila Faye Miller School of Nursing & Health Professions, Rosenberg School of Optometry and the Ettlign Center for Civic Leadership & Sustainability. As a result of the team's efforts, in collaboration with RAM (Remote Area Medical-non profit organization) staff conducted full eye examinations, health & wellness information sessions, blood glucose checks and medication history checks to **350** patients of the ARISE Colonia communities which estimated a financial impact of over **\$90,570**.

Chimbote, Peru

The Ettlign Center, in collaboration with Women's Global Connection will coordinate a mission team to Chimbote, Peru in support of the 50 years of service by the Sisters of Charity of the Incarnate Word in May of 2018. Participants in this year's mission trip will conduct academic and teaching support at the local school campuses serviced by the Sisters of Charity. Approximately **450** children will be assisted during this week-long mission via the support of an **8** member UIW Team planning to conduct at least **256** hours of service.

UIW Mexico Campus Exchange

In an effort to support and assist with campus engagement from the university's Mexico campuses (Mexico City & Irapuato), the Ettlign Center has established strong relationships with the campus directors and staff to conduct service programming opportunities. The directors visit quarterly to discuss programs and opportunities for collaboration including an annual week-long service mission trip. Students from the UIW Irapuato campus have in the past participated and attended the ARISE Summer Mission Trip to the Lower Rio Grande Valley of South Texas. As part of the collaborative programming, UIW Irapuato students assist the initiative providing community service hours which benefit the "colonias" and children of the McAllen/Pharr area of South Texas.

UIW Legacy Service Travel Fund

The Ettlign Center, with the financial support of the UIW Student Government Association Student Legacy Fund, awarded **18** students conducting service on international missions. Recipients of the Legacy Travel Fund provided service to local and indigenous populations in Peru, Costa Rica, Guatemala, and Mexico. Funds are maintained by the Ettlign Center from the SGA Legacy Funds to ensure international service is conducted by students wanting to continue the mission of ministering to the sick and poor. **\$9,000** of financial support was awarded to UIW students providing over **576** hours of service for the 2017-2018 academic year.





sustainability



"I was able to do my pre-service teaching experience at a local school in San Antonio. This opportunity really opened my eyes to students who may have limited resources. Working with these students made me realize that being a teacher is exactly what I want to do, to reach students and encourage teenagers who may feel as if they have limited options and helping them realize that they can do the impossible."

Sarah C.

Education

Adkins, Texas



V. SUSTAINABILITY

The Ettlign Center for Civic Leadership & Sustainability has assisted with the development of various programs and initiatives to ensure that the university continues to meet the ecological needs in ways that protect and restore the natural environment in alignment with the goals and mission of the University of the Incarnate Word and the Sisters of Charity of the Incarnate Word.

- Sustainability Scholars/Ambassadors
- Cardinal Technology Recycle Program
- Cardinal Move Out
- Cardinal/Community Gardens
- Sustainability Conferences
- Basura Bash/Beach Clean Up
- Sustainability/Garden Talks
- EcoExchangeEdu
- HACU Eco America Grant



Sustainability Program Summary

Sustainability Scholars/Ambassadors

The Ettlign Center for Civic Leadership & Sustainability in association with UIW's Student Government Association (SGA) in 2015 began the facilitation of the Sustainability Scholars Program. Scholars receive a semester scholarship to maintain, support, promote and bring awareness to UIW and the San Antonio community of the balance of human development and growth via various sustainable projects that ensure the welfare of the natural world, both in the present and for the future. Local efforts of the Sustainability Scholars have impacted over **2,000** local families as a result of collaborations with Southwest ISD, San Antonio ISD, and the Ella Austin Community Center. The initiative has received approval by SGA to proceed through 2019.

Cardinal Technology Recycle Program

The Cardinal Technology Recycling Program, which began in the Fall of 2016, is a collaboration between the Ettlign Center for Civic Leadership & Sustainability and UIW's Technology Support Services. As a result of this relationship, members of our local community have benefitted from receiving **366** UIW recycled technology items (including laptops, desktops, and printers) to **21** educational and non-profit community based organizations in Central/South Texas. **The estimated cost-savings of the donated technology equals to: \$134,530.00**

Cardinal Move Out

In an effort to be ecologically conscientious as students "move out" of the residence halls and apartments on the UIW Broadway campus, the Ettlign Center for Civic Leadership & Sustainability in association with Residence Life hosted the Inaugural Cardinal Move Out Initiative in Spring of 2018. Furniture, non-perishable food and clothing will be donated to St. Vincent De Paul. Additionally, Residence Life had "dorm furniture" that was donated to Hawthorne Academy and the Young Women's Leadership Academy. This effort and donations will assist at least **2,400** students and **1,200** residents of San Antonio.

Cardinal/Community Gardens

The Ettlting Center for Civic Leadership & Sustainability with the assistance of the Sustainability Scholars and student volunteers, maintained the four Cardinal gardens and assisted with the enhancement and maintenance of community gardens located at Carroll Early Childhood Academy, Ella Austin Community Center, Guadalupe Community Center, and Haven for Hope. Over **648** hours of garden and landscaping activities were clocked for roughly **229** students who helped support this ecological initiative.

Sustainability Conferences

UIW hosted the prestigious College & University Recycling Coalition (CURC) workshop on October 15, 2017. Experts on campus sustainability from throughout the country attended the event, held in the SEC Ballroom, and took tours of the Solar House, grounds, and the adjoining Headwaters reserve. Over **250** participants attended the three-day conference which included presentations/sessions on the UIW Main Campus. The Office of Sustainability also hosted the Texas Climate Change Tour during October of 2017, which was attended by more than **15** participants to the discussion. Staff also participated at UTSA's Equinox Sustainability Conference/Festival which attracted over **200** students from the San Antonio area.

Basura Bash/Cardinal Beach Cleanup

The Ettlting Center for Civic Leadership & Sustainability assisted and coordinated a fall and spring clean up activity on and off the university campus in an effort to engage and involve the campus community. The Fall Basura Bash had over **149** community, students, and faculty members participate providing **596** hours of service. Moreover, **40** students, faculty, and staff assisted with a clean-up effort on a beach outside of Port Aransas during the spring semester, which provided **160** hours of service to the area.

Sustainability/Garden Talks

The Ettlting Center for Civic Leadership & Sustainability hosted numerous "Sustainability/Garden Talk" activities throughout the fall/spring academic semesters. These included a *Public Citizens* community discussion and several "garden talks" focusing on harvesting, composting, and health/wellness. Over **50** faculty, staff, and students attended the various programs and events focused on sustainability.

EcoExchangeEdu

UIW's Kevin Salfen, chair of the San Antonio EcoExchange organization, assisted with the 4th Annual Academic Showcase highlighting campus projects, activities, and projects demonstrating sustainability initiatives. This year's event which was held on April 6, 2018 had presentations submitted by UIW's Sustainability Scholars. As a result, UIW's Sustainability Scholar, Giselle De Leon, won **first place** for her EcoExchangeEdu poster presentation related to the restoration of the Blue Hole located on the Headwaters Sanctuary.

HACU EcoAmerica Grant

The University of the Incarnate Word was recognized and received **\$10,000** from HACU & EcoAmerica for its collaboration with community partners on the creation of ecological initiatives to support and assist the East and South sides of San Antonio. In addition to educating socioeconomically vulnerable neighborhoods throughout the south, east and west areas of San Antonio about organic urban farming, the university will also work with local school-aged children to better understand the importance of nutrition, health, and wellness. The award funds will be also used to support UIW Student Sustainability Scholars, a unique program which engages university students to help plan, implement, report and maintain community gardens in collaboration with San Antonio & Southwest ISD schools.



faculty engagement



"As an Army Veteran (17 years), I know what it means to serve this country and make a difference. After I was medically discharged, I felt lost and the sensation to serve was gone; just like something was missing from me. It was during this time that I became homeless, but with the help of amazing people I started to get back on my feet. That is when I also found UIW and was able to get involved with the Mission Continues. It (Mission Continues) showed me that I can give back to my community, while motivating and mentoring the next generation of San Antonians by sharing my story. This gives me great pride knowing that I am able to give back to where I now call home-San Antonio."

Carlos C.

Kinesiology

Ponce, Puerto Rico



VI. FACULTY ENGAGEMENT

UIW faculty will continue to play an integral role in the experiential and service learning component of the institution. Moreover, faculty will also conduct research that will continue to support the academic importance of service learning. The following is a brief listing of faculty engagement activities and programs:

- Carnegie Classification
- CardinalsSync Co-Curricular Transcript
- Service Learning Showcase
- Service Learning Committee
- The Gathering SL Conference
- Reflection Analysis: CardinalsSync
- Interfaith Grant



Faculty Engagement Summary

Carnegie Classification for Community Engagement

The Carnegie Foundation's Classification for Community Engagement is an elective classification, meaning that it is based on voluntary participation by institutions. The elective classification involves data collection and documentation of important aspects of institutional mission, identity and commitments and requires substantial effort invested by participating institutions. The Carnegie classification is not an award. It is an evidence-based documentation of institutional practice to be used in a process of self-assessment and quality improvement. The Ettlign Center is playing a leading role in gathering campus and community partners to review and submit the application which is due April of 2019 for announcement of the recognition scheduled for January 2020.

CardinalsSync Co-Curricular Transcript

The Ettlign Center continues its work on the development and implementation of a "pilot phase" of the Co-Curricular Transcript (CCT) with the Feik School of Pharmacy. Initial pilot phase began in Spring of 2017 with goal of expanding to the main campus by 2020. Serving as an online feature in OrgSync/CardinalsSync, the Co-Curricular transcript records student involvement in various areas such as extra-curricular activities, honors/recognitions, study abroad, community service and memberships. Students can self-record service involvement and completion upon verification by an event coordinator or the Ettlign Center for Civic Leadership & Sustainability. In essence, the transcript serves as a means to accentuate the extracurricular/activity journey of a student and provides a holistic view of their skills and abilities beyond the academic classroom.

Service Learning Showcase

The Second Annual Faculty Service Learning Showcase was held for the first time in UIW Eleventh Annual Research Week which was called "A History of Mission Driven Scholarship," February 19, 2018. During this Tricentennial Year, the program tried to make visible through historical pictures that UIW service today is in continuity with Incarnate Word history since 1869. The showcase features faculty projects on best practices, theories, scholarship, and examples of service learning. During the day and evening, **24** people spoke on various aspects of service learning, funding, outcomes, projects, sustainability, and the development of empathy. The posters that been created by **31** people were not only exhibited on that day, but throughout UIW's Research Week.

Service Learning Committee

Dr. Martha Ann Kirk, CCVI, is serving as the faculty liaison for the Ettlting Center and is coordinating efforts to increase the number of service learning courses offered at UIW. Service learning courses incorporate community service opportunities and guided reflection into the academic course content. **19 faculty** members from departments across the university are serving on this committee that will provide recommendations to the Provost about establishing an official designation of service learning in the curriculum.

The Gathering

The Gathering is an annual forum for exploring best practices, challenges, opportunities, and resources for service-learning and civic engagement professionals from colleges and universities throughout the State of Texas. The higher education faculty and staff at this discussion-based forum explored ways to increase community awareness and involvement within the academic environment. This year's event was hosted in San Antonio and held on the Trinity & UIW campuses November 2-3, 2018. Roughly **49** faculty and staff from over **16** Texas college/university campuses attended the conference.

Reflection Analysis-CardinalsSync

The Ettlting Center for Civic Leadership & Sustainability consulted Drs. Susan Hall and Sandra Guzman-Foster to conduct research on student reflections as part of the university's community service graduation requirement. **252** student reflections were analyzed for this research project. All reflections analyzed in this project were written by upper division students and submitted electronically via the CardinalsSync software system. This sampling represented 25% of the upper division reflections posted in the online system as of February 2018 for the 2017-2018 academic year. The researchers classified the entries using a schema inspired by the work of Mezirow and Brookfield. The most striking finding of the qualitative analysis was that the lowest level of reflection dominated the sample; **50%** of the reflections in the sample were written at the descriptive level, even though these entries were written by upper division students. Another **45%** were written at the analytical level and **5%** were classified as critical. This kind of examination illustrates how reflections at the analytical and critical levels are much more consistent with UIW's goal for the service requirement: to "promote civically-engaged leaders collaborating in partnership with local and global community stakeholders to achieve individual/social transformation while respecting the dignity of each individual and all creation" (UIW Ettlting Center, 2018).

Interfaith Innovation Grant

The Interfaith Youth Core awarded the Ettlting Center an "Interfaith Innovation Grant" for the 2017-2018 academic year which was titled "Furthering Interfaith Literacy, Fluency, and Service Partnerships." Sister Martha Ann Kirk was the director of the grant assisted by Dr. Lopita Nath. Dr. Susan Hall also shared in relation to service learning. The grant served students and the general public providing information, programs, and helping to publicize programs of various groups. The grant program made the policy an opportunity for positive campus interfaith education for all. About **400** faculty learned of this affirmation of diversity on the UIW campus from the Provost the August Faculty Orientation.

FACULTY RECOGNITIONS



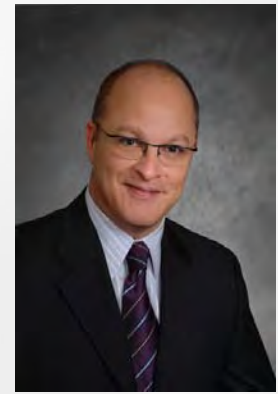
Dr. Christopher Edelman,
Associate Professor of Philosophy

Dr. Edelman was awarded the William Mulcahy Award for Ecological Stewardship at the 2018 celebration of International Earth Day.



Dr. Erlinda Lopez-Rodriguez,
Community Health Program Director

Dr. Lopez-Rodriguez was awarded the Student Organization Advisor of the Year Award at the Spring 2018 Annual Awards Ceremony.



Dr. Marcos Oliveira,
Professor, Pharmaceutical Sciences

Dr. Oliveira was awarded the 2017-2018 Mission Continues Award for Service at the 2018 Faculty Award Reception.



Dr. Linda Hook, PHD RN PHN-BC,
Assistant Professor of Nursing

Dr. Linda Hook was awarded the 2017-2018 Awardee for Innovation at the 2018 Faculty Award Reception.



Dr. Martha Ann Kirk, CCVI,
Professor of Religious Studies

Sister Martha was awarded the Interfaith Innovation Grant given by the Interfaith Youth Core in the fall of 2017.



commitment



"Sometimes we think that our problems seem insurmountable, but when you see somebody who is excited to see a bag full of food it melts all our problems away. We are taught to put others before ourselves and although I try to do so as much as I can, it doesn't always equal up to the feeling when you do something for somebody that truly affects their lives in a positive manner."

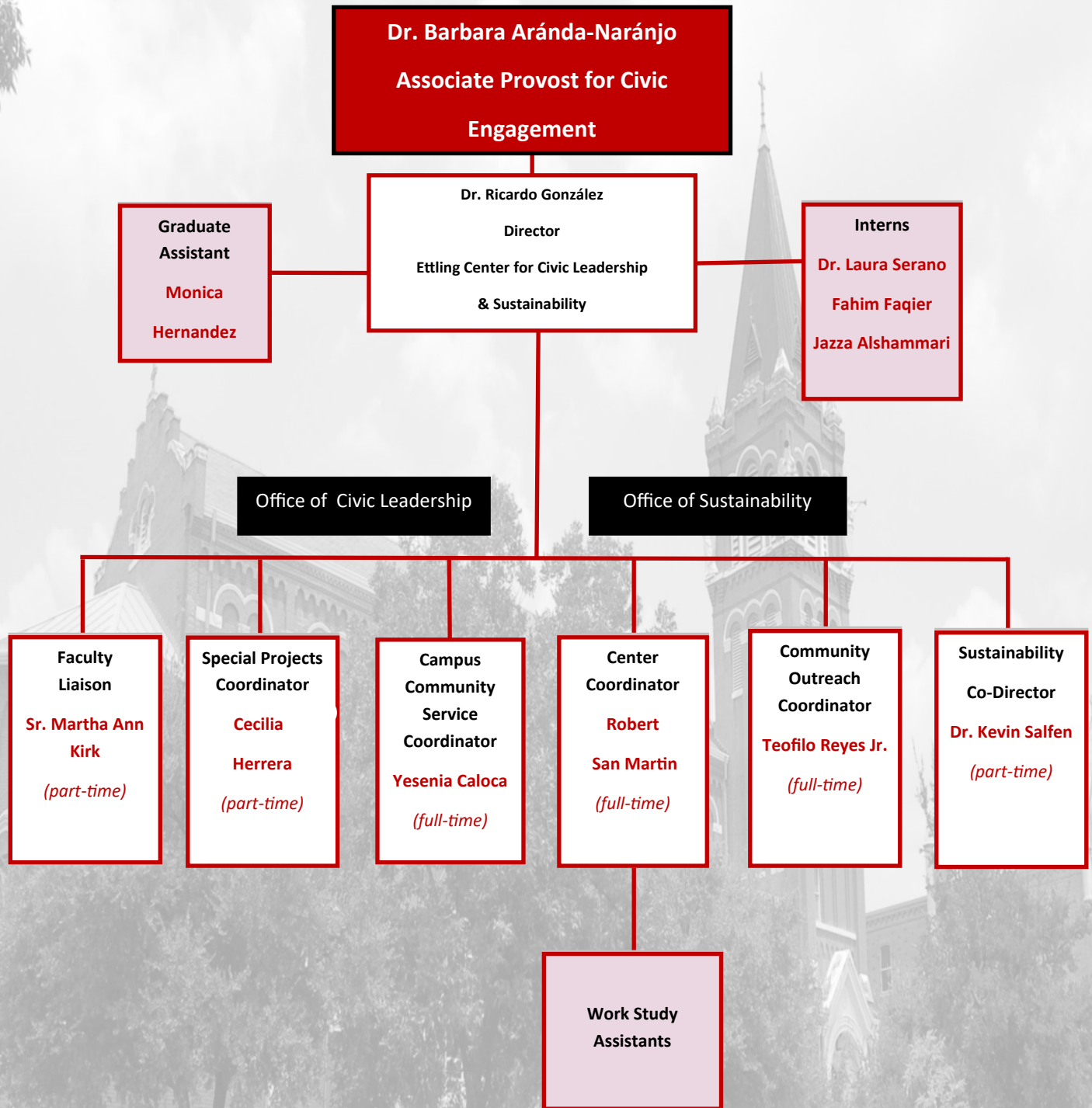
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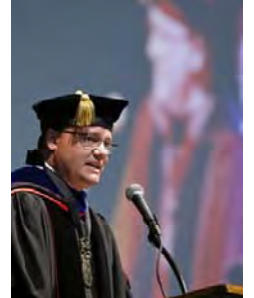
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