COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

New Faculty Info Sheet



3 Simple Steps to Start Slow...

Creating community engagement opportunities is a process of relationship building and innovation that you can do at your own pace.

The Mulvaney Center's approach to Community Engagement is relationship and immersion-based. We welcome the opportunity to connect you with our partners in the community and to begin co-creating with you.





Student Participants





Engaged Classes





Community Partners



"The Why" behind Community Engagement at USD

"Active community-based engagement provides the University of San Diego an opportunity to intentionally engage in partnerships that link the learning in the classroom to the wisdom of the community. The goal is to help students become "active learners, bringing skills and information from community work and integrating them with the theory and curriculum of the classroom to produce new knowledge." (Mitchell, 2008).

The University of San Diego (USD) is passionately dedicated to public service and the development of civically engaged individuals. USD, which was founded in 1972 as the result of a merger between the College for Men and College for Women, has embraced responsibility and action that improves the human condition, promotes deep reflection and empathy, and cultivates an ecosystem that generates



knowledge for the good of society which are at the heart of our Roman Catholic identity, our commitment to Social Justice, and the Catholic Intellectual Tradition. Our Mission Statement identifies us as a "...a Roman Catholic institution committed to advancing academic excellence, expanding liberal and professional knowledge, creating a diverse and inclusive community, and preparing leaders dedicated to ethical conduct and compassionate service."

MADISON RYAN – MULVANEY CENTER MICAH FELLOW AND 2016 USD WOMAN OF IMPACT

Madison described her MICAH Fellowship experience, which was only eight weeks, as a chance to build community through intense connections. "It felt like an accelerated course in introspection, relationships and social justice, but we experienced all of it rather than sitting in a classroom or reading a book. I was able to become much more conscious of who I am at the core, and that knowledge has allowed me to feel safe doing things I wouldn't have done before."

