

INSTITUTE OF COMMUNITY AND CIVIC ENGAGEMENT

MISSION

The Institute of Community and Civic Engagement works to empower students to become agents of change in their communities and beyond; to foster education that meets the needs of the communities we serve; and to help develop pathways to meaningful participation in local, state, and federal government decision making processes.

HISTORY

- We began in 2005 with a group of 20 faculty and staff that researched other civic engagement efforts, and came up with a model that fit De Anza's strong commitment to pay special attention to underserved students and communities
- Since that time we have struggled to become institutionalized in these tough fiscal times
- We now have a full time director, a 25% time service learning coordinator, 3 student staff members, and a grant for a staff level community connections organizer, and a one year grant for student interns

- Certificate in Leadership and Social Change
- Wellstone fellows/Student Action for Education
- Flourishing in the 21st Century- faculty and staff development conference
- Civic Leadership and Community Empowerment classfocusing on history and politics of Silicon Valley
- Silicon Valley Documentation project
- Service classes that are marked on transcript and in schedule of classes
- Internships and service relationships with 25 community based organizations
- Annual climate change event

- De Anza Campus Cupboard
- Youth Voices United for Change
- San Jose police accountability project

- Science for the People
- De Anza Restoring Education

- Under the Trees
- Each on Reach One
- Silicon Valley Black History