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Call For Proposals
2009 Rhode Island Student Service Summit (RISSS)

1st Statewide College Student Summit on Community Engagement
& Service in Rhode Island

The 2009 Rhode Island Student Service Summit (RISSS) calls for student proposals for its 1st Statewide Student Service Summit to be held on February 20, 2008 at Johnson & Wales University's Culinary Arts Museum.

Background

The Rhode Island Student Service Summit (RISSS) is a statewide conference for college students. RISSS is sponsored by the Rhode Island Campus Compact with support from its member campuses and funding from Serve Rhode Island and the Corporation for National and Community Service. RISSS recognizes the variety of means and ways college students interact with and serve in the communities and neighborhoods of Rhode Island. RISSS aims to highlight and empower student projects and service that impacts student learning and is engaging communities.

Rhode Island is ranked 4th in the Nation for college student volunteering by the Corporation for National and Community Service. RISSS will provide an opportunity for discussion among college students, community members and leaders about the role and contribution of college students in Rhode Island. The Summit was initiated out of a desire for cross campus dialogue around college student community engagement and service in Rhode Island.

RISSS assumes that college and university students in Rhode Island are contributing to and learning from the various community organizations, groups and state run departments. Through this summit we would like to focus on the lessons learned from college and university service and engaged projects and how these lessons can be applied after students complete college.

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It is the goal of the 2009 RISSS that students will inspire and learn from each other about various projects and lessons learned from their service and community engagement. RISSS is calling for proposals from college students about a project in which they are currently active or a project they would like to undertake, where students engage with a community issue, organization or project that has produced transformative learning experiences for the college student(s) participating. Students whose proposals are chosen will be asked to give a brief presentation on their project during a scheduled segment of the conference.

Checklist for Successful Proposals:

- I. Completed Cover Sheet (see attached format)
- II. 1-2 pages proposal including the following information:
 - a. The topic of your presentation
 - b. Community Organization or issue that your presentation addresses
 - c. Transformative / powerful learning experience that has taken place as a result of your participation in the project. The proposal may speak to an academic, social or ethical learning experience.
 - d. Why the unique skills and abilities of college students are a key factor in the success of the project and how they have garnered the resources of their college of university to increase the success of the project.
 - e. What other college student from around the state can take away from the presentation / what you as a presenter hope to take away from presenting.
 - f. Tools needed for a dynamic and engaging presentation; (power point, overhead projector, handouts, etc.)

All proposals must be received by January 15, 2008.

Please Submit proposals to:

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2nd Floor, Room 208

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*** If you have any questions or concerns about presenting, please feel free to contact Rhode Island Campus Compact, we are committed to making RISSS a valuable experience for college students and are open to input and feedback. ***

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Proposal Cover Sheet

Primary Presenter:

Name: _____
Phone: _____
Email: _____
College or University Attending:

Secondary Presenters:

Name: _____
Name: _____

Nonprofit Organization Affiliation (optional):

Contact Name: _____
Phone: _____

Choice of Presentation Format (Check One):

_____ **Poster Session** (presentations will be in the form of a poster, presenters will answer questions of attendees during conference poster session/networking hour)

_____ **20 minute Presentation** (presentations should consist of 15 minutes of lecture with 5 minutes for Q &A)

For presentations, please check all technical needs that apply:

- _____ Power Point
- _____ Video
- _____ Sound
- _____ Other- describe:

Please note that internet access will not be available and that all presentations requiring technical assistance will need to be turned in to conference organizers 48 hours before the event.