



## **Announcing:**

### **One-Credit Service-Learning Option**

**Subject Code and Number:** INDS 199, 299, 399, 499, 599, and 699

**Title:** “Service-Learning in \*\*\*” For example, “Service-Learning in ENGL 100”

**Course Description:** Used by instructors to provide students in a course with an optional service-learning experience. The purpose is to engage students with community partners in a way that is mutually beneficial, enhancing the learning experience of the students and addressing identified needs in the community. Students will work on public service projects that are coordinated through the instructor. Successful completion of an approved service-learning contract is expected. Note: To enroll in a particular section of this course, students must be enrolled in the anchor course that corresponds to that section.

**Co-requisite:** The anchor course (for example, ENGL 100) will be co-required for registration in the “4<sup>th</sup> credit” service-learning course.

**Grading Mode:** S/U

**Contract:** A service-learning contract, available on the FACE Center website, will articulate course learning objectives, the student’s commitment to the community partner, and the students’ personal learning objectives. The completed and signed contract should be submitted electronically to the Service-Learning Coordinator within the first two weeks of the semester.

**Syllabus:** There is no syllabus required for this one-credit course option. The course syllabus for the co-required anchor course should introduce the 4<sup>th</sup>-credit option to students. An effective description of the 4<sup>th</sup> credit option in the syllabus should describe potential service-learning projects, explain how the service-learning project will enhance course objectives, and give students a deadline for completing the contract.

**Procedures and resources for faculty interested in offering the 4<sup>th</sup>-credit option:**

1. Consult the FACE Center website for a list of community partners and potential projects: <http://www.fredonia.edu/face/partners.asp>. To work with a community partner not listed with FACE, please contact the Service-Learning Coordinator to initiate a new partnership.
2. Contact your department chair to arrange the course offering with the Office of the Registrar.
3. Explain the 4<sup>th</sup>-credit option in the syllabus of the anchor course, and describe the opportunity in the first class meeting.
4. Oversee the completion of the service-learning contract, which is available at the FACE Center website ([www.fredonia.edu/face](http://www.fredonia.edu/face)). Completed contracts should be submitted electronically as Word document attachments to the Service-Learning Coordinator within the first two weeks of the semester.

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