

Tennessee



Campus Compact

Charter Statement

The Tennessee Campus Compact (TNCC) is an association of college and university presidents and chancellors and their institutions committed to promoting active citizenship as an aim of the civic purpose of higher education. The Compact assists in the integration of civic engagement and service-learning into teaching and research, encourages public-public and public-private partnerships, and increases student involvement in academic and co-curricular-based public service in accordance with the following:

Article I – Name

The name of this organization shall be Tennessee Campus Compact (herein referred to as the TNCC).

Article II – Statement of Purpose

The purpose of this organization shall be to:

- A. Utilize resources and support to aid institutional members in the achievement of public service goals and civic engagement;
- B. Leverage funding from state, federal, and corporate entities and provide sub-grants to affiliated institutions and improve retention and academic advancement rates of higher education students;
- C. Recognize outstanding institutional and individual faculty and student accomplishments in the area of public service throughout the State of Tennessee;
- D. Serve as a statewide coordinator, convener, and catalyst to advance civic engagement in higher education through:

- (i) Leadership in reinvigorating a culture of engagement to increase public awareness of the value of partnerships between academia, community, business, and government;
- (ii) Capacity building through VISTAs, infrastructure support, and resources through a national network;
- (iii) Faculty service-learning curriculum integration training and professional development;
- (iv) Campus consultations and customized technical assistance to guide practice and increase efficiency;
- (v) Funding for campus engagement initiatives, stipends, scholarships, and recognition awards;
- (vi) Research and evaluation on the value of public service programs in enhancing student learning;
- (vii) Documentation of service activities and outcomes across the state to enhance national rankings;
- (viii) Development of best practices in service-learning pedagogy, assessment, and community impact; and
- (ix) P-16 partnerships to improve teaching and learning and better prepare students for the marketplace.

Article III – Affiliation

The TNCC shall be an official member of the **Campus Compact**, a national coalition of college and university presidents committed to the civic purpose of higher education.

Article IV – Membership

All accredited, non-proprietary public and private colleges and universities, including two-year and four-year, faith based, land grant, and other kinds of institutions, dedicated to educating Tennesseans state wide, shall be eligible for TNCC membership.

Article V – Meetings

- A. The **Presidents' Council** will be convened once a year to set general direction for TNCC's programs and services according to the statement of purpose.
- B. The **Executive Board** will be convened semi-annually and board members will serve a three-year term.
- C. The **Advisory Committee** will be convened semi-annually at varying terms of service.

Article VI – Governance

The TNCC governance structure shall be as follows:

- A. The Founding President shall be the President of the host institution.
- B. The Host Institution shall be Tennessee State University.
- C. The Presidents' Council shall consist of presidents of dues-paying member institutions to the TNCC. It will be convened once a year to set general direction for TNCC's programs and services.
- D. The Executive Board shall consist of college and university presidents who reflect exceptional commitment to civic engagement, service-learning, and community service on their campuses. Government and corporate leaders who support learning through service may also serve on the Executive Board. The Board will consist of a maximum of 21 members.
- E. The Advisory Committee shall be nominated and selected by the Presidents' Council and Executive Board with statewide representation.

Article VII – Dues

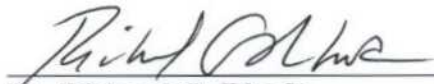
TNCC members shall be required to pay dues in accordance with schedules established by the National Campus Compact and the Tennessee Campus Compact.

Article VIII – Operational Support


All dues paying members may be called upon to provide operational support, including publicity. The host institution shall coordinate and facilitate the publicity of all events and meetings of the organization.

Article IX – Amendment of Charter Statement

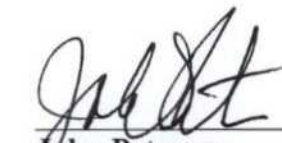
This Charter Statement may be amended only upon approval of a quorum of the President's Council.

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