About

Students will immerse themselves in the conceptualization of community service as it relates to U.S. communities and how or if the same idea of service translates across cultures. The program not only exposes students to local community needs, but also a non-profit organization that is creating real impact in Nashville through targeted support programs. Starting in Spring 2015, the program will consist of three seminars led by experts in service-learning, community development and international student engagement. The seminars provide a foundation for academic exploration of service-learning from the perspectives of the community, the non-profit sector, the student and the university. Each seminar will be complemented with a community service opportunity at the Martha O’Bryan Center. International students and U.S. students are encouraged to sign-up and benefit from a cross-cultural dialogue and experience centered on community development.
Information Session

November 19th, 2014 | Sarratt 112 | 12:30pm

Learning Outcomes

The following learning outcomes reflect multiple aspects of the program that students are expected to immerse in and learn from. Critical engagement around the meaning of “service” from different cultural perspectives will be highlighted and engagement between the student, staff, and community members of the Martha O’Bryan Center will be paramount.

1. Students will be able to think critically about service and, as a result, be able to express why they and society engage in and value service.

2. Students will deepen their understanding of the Martha O’Bryan Center and understand how this organization fits into the wider Nashville context. As a result, students will build a strong, equal relationship with an organization outside of Vanderbilt.

3. Students will have increased skill sets pertaining to their volunteer work. As a result, students will be able to think critically about their perceptions and assumptions regarding service and service-learning.

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