All In Challenge Action Plan 2016—Bryn Mawr College



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Voter Registration & Voter Education

Our campus goal is to engage students through conversation and outreach. To that end we offer opportunities for voter registration in classrooms, dining halls, community gathering spaces, our campus center, and our Civic Engagement office. At every event we work to empower students to feel educated and confident about their choices regarding voter registration and secure in their role as welcomed participants in democracy. Many students decide to register as Pennsylvania voters while others opt to vote in their home states using absentee ballots. At all of our events, we provide information about both options.

Tabling Events

At Bryn Mawr College, tabling is a popular method of outreach involving students, staff, faculty and occasionally outside groups setting up information tables in high-traffic areas to connect, share information, and answer questions.

Wednesday, September 14, 5:30 - 7 pm

Erdman and New Dorm Dining Halls

Voter Registration and Education Tabling

Friday, September 16, 12 - 2 pm

Constitution Day

Voter Registration at Pem Arch

Tuesday, September 27, 11 am - 4 pm

National Voter Registration Day

Voter Registration Tabling in the Campus Center

Tuesday, October 4, 5:30 - 7 pm

Erdman and New Dorm Dining Halls

Voter Registration and Education Tabling

Wednesday, October 5, 11:30 am - 1:30 pm

LILAC Tabling in Erdman Dining Hall featuring Voter Registration

Monday, November 7, 5 - 10 pm

Tri-College NAACP Get Out the Vote Rally in the Campus Center

Encouraging Campus Discourse—Debate Watching Events

Gathering in community to watch and respond to the Presidential Debates allows students, staff, and faculty to learn from one another, both expand and confirm views and values, and become more informed as the election draws near.

Monday, September 26, 8:30 – 11 pm

Debate Watching Party sponsored by BMC Democrats

Tuesday, October 4, 8:15 – 10:30 pm

Debate Watching Party sponsored by Next Gen Climate

Wednesday, October 19, 8 - 11 pm

Debate Watch 2016 sponsored by the Bryn Mawr College Provost's Office During this event, Marc Ross, William Rand Kenan Jr. Professor Emeritus of Political Science set the context for the debate and two Bryn Mawr College alumnae, Elizabeth Held (BMC '12), Director of Online and Millennial Engagement for the White House Writers Group, and Yong Jung Cho (BMC '12), former Campaign Coordinator at 350.org discussed the influence of social media on the election and live tweeted during the debate. Sarah Theobald, Academic Program Administrator in the Provost's Office served as moderator.

Enabling Access

On Election Day, LILAC|Civic Engagement will provide a shuttle between campus and the College's polling place. This van will run from 9 am – 9 pm, providing free rides to student voters. Faculty, staff and student volunteers serve as van drivers to help facilitate access to the polls.

Civic Engagement staff will be posted at the campus shuttle stop from 9 am – 8:30 pm providing non-partisan candidate guides, reminding students to bring proper identification, and sharing information on how to deal with potential challenges at the polls, including information about provisional ballots and identity challenges.

Celebrating Engagement

Starting at 7:30 pm and running until midnight on Election Day, Student Activities and LILAC|Civic Engagement will co-sponsor an Election Returns Watching Party to celebrate student participation in the election and watch as the results come in from across the county. Student Coordinators will conduct raffles and trivia contests, serve food, and provide a space for the community to gather as the votes are counted.