



**CAMPUS
DEMOCRACY
CHALLENGE**

Kirkwood Community College 2020 Democratic Engagement Action Plan
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Executive Summary:

Our efforts to promote democratic engagement are ongoing, From frequent voter education and registration efforts, to civic dialogues, the civic engagement committee has planned shared experiences for students and professional development for faculty.

Leadership:

Our leadership team includes the following:

Mark Butland, Iowa City Campus Dean
David R. McMahon, Committee Chair
Scott Samuelson, Professor
Finn Kolsrud, Professor
John Dawson, Professor
David Bullwinkle, Professor
Shelby Myers, Professor
Seth Vander Tuig, Director of Student Life
Kristie Leeman, Student Life/Admissions Advisor

Commitment:

Our campus has not yet signed the Higher Education Presidents' Commitment to Full Student Voter Participation.

Our campus has used the following methods to communicate with students about the election:

By posting on institutional social media channels

Landscape:

Our campus demographic and voting data:

NSLVE reports show 50.6 percent voter rate for 2016

Goals:

Our campus democratic engagement goals are:

To increase voter participation and institutionalize efforts

Strategy:

Our campus has used the following strategies and organized the following events:

Classroom voter registration presentations (in-person or virtual), Virtual voter education events (e.g. film screening, debates, lectures series, etc.)

We are contacting students and faculty through our learner management system and listservs, participating in Iowa voting summit, PTK student-run voting drive

NSLVE:

Kirkwood Community College has authorized NSLVE.

Evaluation:

We will evaluate our action plan in the following ways:

The committee evaluates the action plan and strategies. Unfortunately, we were building up to important in-person shared experiences that can not take place during the pandemic.

Reporting:

We will report our campus action plan and NSLVE reports in the following ways:

Our action plan will be posted on our campus website and shared with the campus community.

Our campus NSLVE reports will be posted on our campus website and shared with the campus community.