

**Assessment of a Nebulous, Yet Critical Commitment:
A Table Topic Session on the Scope and Nature of Service Learning**

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Table Topic Questions

- What are the motivations for understanding service learning at your institution? How is institutional research involved? What role does the Institutional Research Office play?
- What counts as service-learning? Which activities and pedagogical practices are included?
- How is information collected about these activities?
- How is information shared internally? How is it shared externally?

Resources

Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching
Community Engagement Elective Classification
<http://www.carnegiefoundation.org/classifications/index.asp?key=1213>

Initiatives: Service Learning on Campus Compact website:
<http://www.compact.org/initiatives/service-learning>

Strategies for Creating an Engaged Campus Toolkit including pages on Defining the Engaged Campus and Assessing Current Activities
<http://www.compact.org/advancedtoolkit/>

Learn and Service America - Information for Colleges and Universities
(Corporation for National and Community Service)
http://www.learnandserve.gov/for_organizations/highered/index.asp

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