Newman Civic Fellowship Program Description

The Newman Civic Fellowship is a fellowship program for community-committed students at Campus Compact member institutions. The fellowship provides training and resources that nurture and develop students’ assets and passions to help them develop innovative and collaborative strategies to bring about social change. Through the fellowship, Campus Compact provides learning opportunities focused on the skills and aptitudes fellows need in order to serve as effective agents of change in addressing public problems and in building equitable communities. The fellowship experience is a one-year experience in which fellows have access to in-person and virtual learning opportunities, networking events, and local mentors. All fellows are also invited to join a national network of similarly community-committed peers. Fellows are selected each spring, and the fellowship begins the following academic year.

The Newman Civic Fellowship is generously supported by KPMG Foundation and Newman's Own Foundation.

Newman Civic Fellowship Eligibility Criteria

The Newman Civic Fellowship is intended to honor the leadership legacy of Frank Newman by recognizing community-committed students who:

- Engage in collaborative action with others from campus or from surrounding communities in order to create long-term social change
- Take action in addressing issues of inequality and political polarization
- Demonstrate the motivation and potential for effective long-term civic engagement

In addition to these core characteristics, Newman Civic Fellow nominees must also meet the following eligibility criteria:

- Nominee must be currently enrolled at a Campus Compact member institution
- Nominee must be nominated by the president or chancellor of their institution
- Each institution may nominate only one student
- For institutions with both undergraduate and graduate programs, presidents and chancellors are encouraged to recommend the most deserving student, with preference given to undergraduate students
- In keeping with Frank Newman's passion for educational access, we encourage presidents and chancellors to give preference to students from backgrounds traditionally underrepresented in higher education
• Nominee must have at least one year of their education remaining (either at their current institution or at a different one)
• Nominees must commit to providing a short reflection piece (video, article, or letter format) to Campus Compact during their fellowship year
• Nominee's institution must commit to helping the nominee identify a local mentor for the duration of the fellowship

Institutions seeking guidance on how to proceed in selecting a student to nominate for the Newman Civic Fellowship can consult the Newman Civic Fellowship FAQ page.

Newman Civic Fellows Nomination Instructions for Institutions

Submission Instructions

• Please review the nomination form and collect all necessary materials prior to beginning your nomination submission. **(You will not be able to save and go back to the form later.)**
• There are components of this nomination form that require information from the student nominee. You will need to work with the student to develop those materials prior to submission.
• Barring any extenuating circumstances, all nominees who meet the eligibility criteria listed above will become Newman Civic Fellows.
• All nominations are due by **11:59 PM EST on Friday, March 3, 2017.**
• All materials must be submitted through this online form. Neither hard copy, faxes, nor email submissions will be accepted.
• The individual listed as the contact person for the nomination submission will receive a confirmation email upon submission of the nomination form.
• 2017 Newman Civic Fellows will be publicly announced on March 30, 2017. (Institutions will receive notification of their accepted nomination during the week of March 20, 2017.)
President/Chancellor Information

Name

Prefix

First Name

Last Name

Suffix

Title *

Institution *

Mailing Address *

City

State

ZIP Code

United States

Country
Nominee's Information

Please provide the following contact information for the student that you are nominating.

Nominee's Name *

First Name

Last Name

Retype Name *

Are you sure that both names match? *

☐ Yes

☐ No

Nominee's Expected Graduation Year *

Please include expected graduation month and year.

Nominee's Major/Concentration *

Nominee's Email *

Link to Nominee's LinkedIn Account (if applicable)

Providing this information is optional and is not used for selection. This information is solely used to invite students to Newman Civic Fellows online communities after selection.

Link to Nominee's Personal Webpage (if applicable)
Providing this information is optional and is not used for selection.

Link to Nominee's Twitter Handle (if applicable)

Providing this information is optional and is not used for selection.
Optional Demographic Information from Nominee

Providing this information is completely optional and will in no way influence selection for the Newman Civic Fellowship. Campus Compact collects this information solely for the purpose of monitoring the accessibility of our programs. We aim to create programs and resources that support students from all backgrounds, and this demographic information helps us to monitor how well we are doing with that goal. Information about the demographics of our Newman Civic Fellows are only ever shared in the aggregate, and information about individual participants' identities are kept private.

How do you describe your gender identity?

- [ ] Woman
- [ ] Man
- [ ] Gender Non-Conforming/Gender Queer
- [ ] Intersex
- [ ] Trans Woman
- [ ] Trans Man
- [ ] Other:

What gender pronouns do you use?

- [ ] She, Her, Hers
- [ ] They, Them, Theirs
- [ ] He, Him, His
- [ ] Ze, Hir, Hirs
- [ ] I don't use gender pronouns.
How do you describe your racial identity?

- American Indian, Alaska Native, or Native Hawaiian
- Asian, Asian American, or Pacific Islander
- Black or African American
- Hispanic, Latino(a), or Latin(x)
- Middle Eastern
- Multiracial
- White or Caucasian

Other:

Do you identify as a first-generation college student?

- Yes
- No
- Prefer not to answer

Are there other dimensions of your identity that you wish to mention (i.e. religious or spiritual identity; socioeconomic status; sexual orientation; etc.)?
Contact Information for Person Submitting Nomination Form

Please provide contact information for the person who is submitting this information on behalf of the president or chancellor.

Name

Prefix

First Name

Last Name

Suffix

Title *

Email Address *

Phone *
Communications Contact Information

We look forward to working closely with your institution’s Press or Communications Office to maximize visibility for the Newman Civic Fellow from your institution.

Name

Prefix

First Name

Last Name

Suffix

Title *

Email *

Phone *
Newman Civic Fellow Mentor Information

As part of the Newman Civic Fellowship all fellows identify a local mentor who serves as a resource for the fellow during the experience. In nominating a student for the Newman Civic Fellowship, an institution commits to connecting the fellow with a local mentor. To review the criteria and expectations for mentors, please visit the [Newman Civic Fellowship FAQ page](#). The mentors do not have to be identified by the time of nomination, but contact information for mentors must be provided to Campus Compact by April 24, 2017. If a mentor has already been identified, please provide that information below.

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Mentor has agreed to serve as a mentor for nominee for the duration of the 2017-2018 academic year.

☐ Yes

☐ No

In order to fill this role, the individual selected must be willing to serve as a mentor for the nominee for the duration of the 2017-2018 academic year.
Nomination Materials

Letter of Nomination

A letter of nomination needs to come from and be signed by the president or chancellor of the nominating institution. This letter should reflect the president/chancellor’s intention to have this student represent the college or university in a national fellowship of community-committed students. Please include information about the nominee’s approach(es) to addressing the root causes of social issues. These may include, for example, involvement in public policy reform, community organizing, community-based research, social entrepreneurship, or other efforts to build the capacity of community-based organizations. Additionally, please let us know why you believe this person has the motivation and potential to develop innovative and collaborative approaches to addressing public problems and to contribute to a network of similarly committed students.

Letter of Nomination *

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File uploads may not work on some mobile devices. Accepted file types include: jpg, jpeg, png, pdf, doc, docx, txt, zip.

In submitting this letter of nomination, I commit to:

- supporting our fellow in identifying a mentor
- celebrating our fellow and their work

In submitting this letter of nomination, I understand that:

- I am encouraged to provide financial support for our fellow to attend a national gathering of Newman Civic Fellows

Please check the box below to indicate your understanding of the above *

☐ I understand the expectations involved in nominating a fellow.

Newman Civic Fellow Leadership Profile

In the space below, please provide a brief (200 word max) abstract summarizing your recommendation. The president or chancellor’s name will appear under each profile. These profiles will be used for publicity purposes and will be featured on Campus Compact’s website. All profiles must be submitted by the Office of the President, reflecting the president or chancellor’s intention to have this student represent the college or university in a national fellowship of student leaders. Please include information central to the recommendation including the nominee’s approach to addressing the root causes of social issues and
about the nominee's potential for developing innovative and collaborative strategies for addressing public problems.

Example: Lauren Costa, a second year student at Compact University, is a student leader active in addressing issues of food justice. For the last two years she has worked closely with grassroots efforts to advocate for the rights of local farm workers, including efforts to mobilize residents in surrounding communities to support policy that would provide higher wages and greater legal protections to farm workers. She is currently working with local residents and her fellow students to explore possibilities for creating a subsidized mobile farmers market that would help make fresh produce more accessible to neighborhoods that are not served by large grocery stores.

Newman Civic Fellow Leadership Profile (200 word limit) *

Please note that this profile needs to be written by the president or chancellor as the president or chancellor's name will appear under it.

Note: The following component, the Newman Civic Fellow Personal Statement needs to come from the nominated student.

**Newman Civic Fellow Personal Statement**

In the space below, please provide a brief (200 word max) statement from the nominated student about their work. The student's name will appear under this personal statement. These personal statements will be used for publicity purposes and will be featured on Campus Compact's website. The student should include information central to the recommendation including their approach to addressing the root causes of social issues and their potential for developing innovative and collaborative strategies for addressing public problems.

Example: I first became involved in addressing issues of economic inequality by volunteering with my family at a nearby homeless shelter on Saturdays while growing up. As I got older and became more involved in addressing homelessness in local communities, I came to understand how societal systems can work together to create cycles of poverty and can make it incredibly difficult for individuals to get a new start. On campus, I lead one of our student service organizations that raises money and organizes volunteers for the homeless shelter in town. I also am involved in community efforts to resist potential
legislation that would criminalize homelessness and to advocate for policy proposals that would provide greater alternative sentencing options for youth convicted of nonviolent minor crimes.

Newman Civic Fellow Personal Statement (200 word limit) *

Please note that this personal statement needs to be written by the student as their name will appear under it.

Photo of the Nominee

Choose File  No file chosen

File uploads may not work on some mobile devices. Photos must be 400x400 or larger. Accepted file formats include: jpg,jpeg/gif/png/pdf/doc/docx/txt,

By uploading this photo, I affirm that the institution and the student nominee consent to this photo's use on the Campus Compact website, in e-newsletters, and in printed materials.

☐ Yes

☐ No

If you choose to upload a photo of the nominee, you must make sure that the student consents to its use for this purpose.

Please note that the case, spelling, and titles submitted on this form will be directly reflected in Newman Civic Fellows related publications, website postings, and certificates. Be sure to proofread before submitting.

Please contact Michaela Grenier (mgrenier@compact.org) with any questions.