

TESTIMONIALS

“It was neat to work together with people I had not really met at all; and we were all working to help others.”

-Southern Student, *ICU Cooking For Jesus* 2016

“We engaged Alzheimer’s residents through music, visiting and a few activities. After giving a manicure to one of the ladies who had a hard time coming up with words and complete sentences, she asked if she could pray for me! She prayed a meaningful prayer... I was touched.”

-Southern Student, *Lantern at Morning Pointe* 2016

“It was a really nice experience. It would be nice to have more of these types of days of mass community service throughout the year.”

-Southern Student, *P.A.L.S* 2016

“I enjoyed working together with the people in my group. We worked as a team and got the work done, while having fun!”

-Southern Student, *American Red Cross* 2016



FAQs

Q: *What is the difference between community service and service-learning?*

A: In **community service**, emphasis is placed on helping people in the community (e.g. feeding the homeless). **Service-learning** is curriculum-based and structured in which students take what they learn in the classroom, serve the community, and reflect on the process (e.g. setting up a computer lab in a low-income community).

Q: *How do I identify community service or service-learning opportunities?*

A: Check out the Christian Service website, southern.edu/service for up to date opportunities.

Q: *I am graduating soon, how do I find out if I have met the Christian Service Program requirement?*

A: Log onto myaccess.southern.edu and select *Academics*. Click on *Degree Audit* to find out if you have met the Christian Service Program requirement.

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Christian Service Program



SOUTHERN'S MISSION

Southern Adventist University nurtures Christ-likeness, traditional Seventh-day Adventist values, academic excellence, and a lifelong pursuit of truth, wholeness, and service.



VISION

To equip students to develop a sense of God's call in their lives and work through service to impact their communities now and forever.

OUTCOMES

Upon successful completion of the Christian Service Program students will:

- ◆ **Participate** in various community service activities.
- ◆ **Explore** God's calling through various service-learning activities specific to the coursework.
- ◆ **Recognize** that God has a calling in his/her life.
- ◆ **Examine** community and service-learning opportunities through personal reflection as it leads to their calling.

REQUIREMENTS

Community Service Activities

(3-5 hours each)

3

- Campus-wide Community Service Days
- Approved Campus Ministry, Student Organization, and Student Association Activities

Transferring Sophomores = 2, Juniors/Seniors = 1

Service-Learning Experiences

2

- Service-Learning Classes
- Student Initiated Projects
- Approved Mission Trips

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COMMUNITY SERVICE OPTIONS

- ◆ Campus-wide community service days (e.g. MLK Community Service Day)
- ◆ Every Fri/Sat outreach ministries (e.g. Restore, F.L.A.G. Camp, Westside 4 Jesus, Patten Towers, Homeless Ministry)
- ◆ Approved Student Organization activities (Example: Asian Club helps a local pet rescue organization called P.A.L.S)

SERVICE-LEARNING OPTIONS

1. Service-Learning Classes

Southern Adventist University offers over 50 courses that provide service-learning credit opportunities in the following departments:

- ◆ Biology & Allied Health Department
- ◆ School of Business and Management
- ◆ Chemistry Department
- ◆ School of Education & Psychology
- ◆ History & Political Studies Department
- ◆ Mathematics Department
- ◆ School of Nursing
- ◆ School of Journalism & Communication
- ◆ Physics & Engineering Department
- ◆ School of Religion
- ◆ School of Social Work
- ◆ School of Visual Art & Design
- ◆ Modern Languages Department
- ◆ School of P.E., Health, and Wellness

2. Student Initiated Projects

This option allows students to tailor a project, for a minimum of 15 hours, that combines knowledge learned in the classroom along with something that they enjoy doing. (e.g. Students from the Culinary Arts program provided various cooking related activities for the community).

3. Approved Mission Trip Experiences

- ◆ uQuest Mission Trips (These are mission trips facilitated by the Campus Ministries Department).
- ◆ ERC Missions (These are mission trips facilitated by the Evangelistic Resource Center).