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UNO STUDENT SERVICE AND LEADERSHIP COLLABORATIVE (THE COLLABORATIVE)

UNIVERSITY OF
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Omaha





ABOUT THE STUDENT SERVICE & LEADERSHIP COLLABORATIVE

The Student Service and Leadership Collaborative (The Collaborative) provides UNO students with opportunities to engage the university with the greater Omaha metropolitan community through action projects that lead to positive social change. The program has been recognized nationally, including receiving the Silver Award for Civic Learning, Democratic Engagement, Service-Learning, Community Service, and related category from the National Association of Student Personnel Administrators Excellence Awards in 2018.





A NOTE FROM LEADERSHIP

This 2021-22 academic school year allowed us the opportunity to re-calibrate and fixate ourselves into what I have accepted as the "next normal." It is during this time of change and acculturation that the Collaborative has remained grounded and more intentional in our service to the community and student leadership and development. This year, more students were able to re-acclimate themselves from remote service back to a direct in-person experience with our non-profit partners.

The Student Service and Leadership Collaborative has been re-imagined and now presides under the leadership of the Academic Career and Development Center to further impress the importance of student preparedness within the scope of workforce development and social mobility on campus. This transition has uniquely positioned the Collaborative to be a stronger supporter and collaborator with both the Academic Center and Development Center and UNO's newly established Office of Engagement.

Since the beginning of my leadership, The Collaborative has supported 60 students who have matriculated through the program. 50% of which have graduated with an average g.p.a of 3.61, 42% of students are actively enrolled with an average g.p.a of 3.37, and 8% of students have chosen to withdraw from the university due to life choices including transferring to an out-of-state institution, re-evaluation of career trajectory, and personal-life challenges. In all, The Collaborative remains committed to all program participants as a resource and pillar of support.

The Student Service and Leadership Collaborative again thanks Mr. and Mrs. John Scott for their trust and investment that has allowed me to share in the advancement of this program by supporting students in their development and leadership endeavors in becoming global citizens. The Collaborative has much to be grateful for, for it is by your gift that we have been able to sustain meaningful partnerships and relationships with the Greater Omaha Metro-area.

JEFFREY P. L. SOUTHALL II

Associate Director, UNO Student Service and Leadership Collaborative

STUDENT INTERN PROFILES

Monica Finch, Program Manager

Major: Gerontology

Minor: Healthy Aging

Nonprofit: Angels Care Hospice

Project: Assisted in the coordination of volunteer visits and planning of events/opportunities for patients and their families..

Fatma Al Wahaibi, Service Supervisor

Major: Geography and Geology

Nonprofit: Munroe Meyer Institute

Project: Worked on designing different fliers for the Munroe Meyer Institute's Trailblazer project such as the new student welcome packet and guide to services. Assisted the site supervisor editing and developing their website.

Jean Joy Kamau, Service Supervisor

Major: Gerontology

Nonprofit: The Lehmin Center

Project: Assisted the Director of the Lehmin Center in building curriculum and activities that stimulate the facilities of patients who struggle with on-set of early Dementia and Alzheimer's.

Jason Rife, Program Manager

Major: Secondary Education - Social Science

Nonprofit: Tri-Faith Ministries

Project: Continued the work from the previous year while advancing to building and implementing curriculum for organization's educational classes.

Madison Honeyman, Program Manager

Major: Criminology/Criminal Justice & History

Nonprofit: LEAP

Project: Supported former foster youth pursuing post-secondary educational goals and provided support to staff.

Massimiliano Saitta, Program Manager

Major: Interdisciplinary Studies

Nonprofit: DIBS for Kids

Project: Assisted with day-to-day social media creation and posting, designing annual reports and creating various marketing materials.

Da'Von George, Program Manager

Major: Studio Arts/Graphic Design

Nonprofit: Touch of Gold

Project: Assisted the Executive Director with the building of the organization's social media platform and the redesign of their website.

Dy'Mon Coleman, Program Manager

Major: Pre-Nursing

Nonprofit: GBT Academy

Project: Assist the GBT Academy in the day-to-day operations of the center by assisting the teachers during instruction time in the classroom and coordinating and planning field trips.

STUDENT INTERN PROFILES (CONTINUED)

Evawna Veasley, Program Manager

Major: Biology

Nonprofit: Black Family Health and Wellness Association

Project: Assisted with the planning and the development of the North Omaha Health Fair.

LaShaia Bass, Program Manager

Major: Biology, Chemistry, and Psychology

Nonprofit: Goodrich Scholarship Program

Project: Assisted the organization in the planning and marketing of their 50th year celebration. Created digitized newsletters and collected artifacts for the designing of the event.

Dylan Clute, Program Manager

Major: Studio Art/Graphic Design

Nonprofit: WhyArts

Project: Accompanied Program Directors of WhyArts in artists relationships and coordinating workshops for students.

Hammam Al Hashmi, Program Manager

Major: Business Administration

Minor: Marketing

Nonprofit: Coalition Rx

Project: Responsible for advancing their social media presence and marketing of organization's events and fundraisers.

Jerome Thomas-Glass, Program Manager

Major: Psychology and Kinesiology

Nonprofit: UNMC/Nebraska Medicine

Project: Continued the upkeep and maintenance of organization's website and helped with the expansion of community outreach efforts in the connection of services and awareness, specifically in North Omaha.

Alexys Goodwin, Service Supervisor

Major: Kinesiology

Nonprofit: JPF Hope Resource Center

Project: Provide under-served communities with food. Being a point of contact in regards to any information about the food pantry and its operations. Prepping meals and organizing people into teams for Pantry days and create and actively maintain social media pages.

Moo Law Eh Soe, Program Manager

Major: English

Major: Creative Non-Fiction

Nonprofit: NAMI

Project: Assisted in furthering NAMI's presence on social media to increase engagement and awareness of the organization's services and events. Also, assisted in the planning of NAMIWalks and Pony Express Letter Writing Campaign.

Dustin Dooley, Program Manager

Major: Biology, Chemistry

Minor: Foreign Language/Literature and Spanish

Nonprofit: Kiwanas of Nebraska

Project: Project investigated the root causes for childhood hunger in the Omaha metropolitan area in order to create a sustainable and attractive plan/program in conjunction with the Kiwanas Club of Greater Omaha with the intent to conquer this issue.

STUDENT HIGHLIGHTS & REFLECTIONS

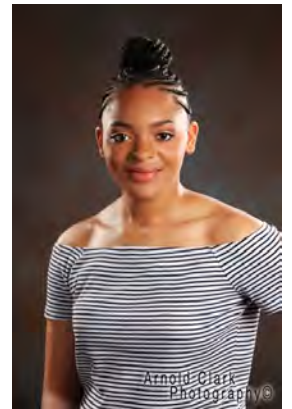


"The Collaborative has been such an immersive experience for me. It has exposed me to so many different opportunities, both on and off campus, and connected me with invaluable resources. The Collaborative truly is a spearhead in creating social change through its dedicated passion towards diversity, inclusion, and service."

-Dylan X. Clute, First-Year Student

"My experience with the Collaborative has been life altering. I began as a freshman who kept her head down, focused on work and school and then went home. It wasn't until I began connecting with all the unique and awesome personalities within the Collab who pulled me out of my shell. Thanks to Jeffrey, who brought people together and encouraged interaction, and the Collab, I have made forever friends and family and gained a multitude of interpersonal skills through relationship and professional development.

-Alexys C. Goodwin, Junior



NEWMAN CIVIC FELLOWSHIP 2021

Collaborative Student Intern, Massimiliano Saitta, was selected to represent the University of Nebraska at Omaha as the 2022 Newman Civic Fellow. The Newman Civic Fellowship identifies students who demonstrate an investment in finding solutions for challenges facing their communities, engage in collaborative action with others to create long-term social change, take action in addressing issues of inequity and political polarization, and demonstrate the motivation and potential for effective long-term civic engagement.

As a Newman Civic Fellow, Massimiliano will attend virtual trainings focused on skill development and professional learning, opportunities to submit conference proposal to present at Campus Compact conferences and one-on-one leadership development with a campus mentor. Massimiliano will also be active in participating in a national network of engaged student leaders and attend the Newman Civic Fellowship National Conference in Boston, Massachusetts October 2022.

THE COLLABORATIVE GUEST SPEAKERS

It is important to the Collaborative that we continue with the education in redeveloping ourselves as change agents in positions our institution as upright gatekeepers of diversity, equity, inclusion, and access. This year we welcomed national experts in this lifestyle. These speakers addressed topics that responded to our areas of practice associated with self-awareness, service, intercultural competence, and leadership. Our guests were open and transparent in sharing their expertise and how we as a campus community can further support our university as we in-turn, a collective, support our Omaha community at large.



SHAWNTAL MALLORY, ESQ.
Executive Director of the Nebraska
Legal Diversity Council

Shawntal Mallory has been practicing law for the past 16 years in Omaha, Nebraska. In addition to teaching Race and Law at the Creighton University School of Law, Shawntal provides consulting, coaching, training, and facilitation on human resources, organizational culture, and diversity, equity, and inclusion topics for organizations and individuals. Her career is a hybrid of legal work and public speaking engagements. Shawntal Mallory is a known Omaha treasure and avid community servant.



SAUL FLORES
Philanthropist & Speaker

Saul Flores is nationally recognized for his social impact projects. Through his most recent project, Saul documents the amazing lives of thousands of Latin American immigrants to fundraise for an elementary school in his mother's hometown. His work has been featured on National Public Radio, MSNBC, and TEDX. Additionally, Saul has been featured as a keynote speaker for dozens of universities, inspiring audiences through his visual presentations, in which helps people realize the capacity of their immense human potential given time of extreme diversity.




DR. KYRA SHAHID
Asst. Director of Diversity, Equity, &
Inclusion at the University of Michigan

Dr. Kyra Shahid serves as an Instructional Consultant with a focus on diversity, equity, and inclusion. She provides individual consultations, workshops, and facilitates customized programming on equity-focused teaching and healing centered engagement in response to racial inequities and epistemic trauma in higher education. Dr. Shahid is also the owner and principal consultant of Shahid Consulting, LLC, where she provides training, curriculum development, workshops and innovative experiences that empower, equip, and transform the professional and educational experiences of leaders in diverse and non-diverse environments.


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