



Claflin University

Division of Student Development and Services
Office of Career Development

2021 *Virtual* Community Service *Requirements*

Fall 2021 Deadlines to Log Impacts/Hours on GivePulse:

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What is GivePulse.com?

GivePulse is a nation-wide platform that is used for logging volunteer opportunities and recording what type of impact you are having on your community. All students are required to join and record their community service impacts on www.givepulse.com. Additionally, students can access, download and print their community service transcripts/summaries after impacts have been verified.

Freshman Students

All freshman leveled students will be required to perform the following:

- Complete 10 hours per semester of approved service learning and/or community service activities
- Members of the Alice Carson Tisdale Honors College are required to complete 35 hours per semester to equal 70 service hours annually
- Read and complete all virtual correspondence given from the service-learning coordinator and the Freshman College
- Abide by all rules and guidelines specified by the university and community agencies
- Sign up for an account and submit all community service impacts and supporting documents through the Claflin Group on www.givepulse.com
- Provide a reflection for each community service impact (activity) entered through GivePulse. This is a brief 2-3 sentences telling us about your experience participating in the event

Sophomore Students

As a component of the sophomore, Second Year Experience course, all sophomore leveled students will be required to perform the following:

- Complete 20 hours, within the assigned semester, of service learning and/ or community service activity (ASMB 201: Last names beginning with A-J; ASMB 202: All students)
- Members of the Alice Carson Tisdale Honors College are required to complete 35 hours per semester to equal 70 service hours annually
- Read and complete all virtual correspondence given from the service-learning coordinator and Second Year Experience (Assembly) instructor
- Abide by all rules and guidelines specified by the university and community agencies
- Sign up for an account and submit all community service impacts and supporting documents through the Claflin Group on www.givepulse.com
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Reminders:

All students are required to record their community service impacts on givepulse.com through the Clafin University Group. Students in the Alice Carson Tisdale Honors College must be required to record their community service impacts on givepulse.com through the ACT Honors College Group. Additionally, screenshots of confirmations or proof of completed projects along with reflections are required for various events. See emailed flyers for event details.

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Database

1. Catchafire Virtual Volunteer Opportunity Database (1 hour per event) | OPEN

https://www.catchafire.org/volunteer?name_filter=&type_filter=1&type_filter=2&page=1

Catchafire strengthens the social good sector by matching people who want to donate their time with nonprofits who need their skills. Student will be assisting nonprofits to provide critical support to communities who are in need.

2. The National Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster (NVOAD) Volunteer Opportunity Database (Hours Varied) | OPEN

<https://www.nvoad.org/volunteer/>

National VOAD promotes cooperation, communication, coordination and collaboration, and fosters more effective delivery of services to communities affected by disaster. Students will be able to provide aid to and participate in many different crisis response opportunities. While not all are virtual, there are often needs for administrative or online work. Hours must be verified by the project supervisor.

Skill-based

1. Become a Crisis Counselor (Hours varied) | OPEN

<https://www.crisistextline.org/become-a-volunteer/>

Crisis Text Line is the free, 24/7 text line for people in crisis in the United States. The service is powered by volunteer Crisis Counselors who work remotely—anywhere with a computer and secure internet connection works. Crisis Counselors answer texts from people in crisis, bringing them from a hot moment to a cool calm through active listening, collaborative problem solving, and safety planning. Hours must be verified by the project supervisor.

2.Smithsonian Institute Digital Volunteer Program (Hours Varied) | OPEN

<https://www.si.edu/volunteer/DigitalVolunteers>

Digital Volunteers can now take on important assignments to expand access to the Smithsonian's massive collections, and can participate in a variety of research programs. Some roles require special knowledge or skill, but many do not. Either students will be able to be immersed in the Smithsonian Transcription Center Experience or the Smithsonian Wikipedia Volunteer Program (WikiProject). Hours must be verified by the project supervisor

3.Translators Without Borders (Hours Varied) | OPEN

<https://translatorswithoutborders.org/volunteer/>

Translators without Borders depends on volunteers to translate millions of words, but also to help them run the organization. They work with volunteers who have all kinds of great skills – and many learn new skills that they can use in their jobs. Students will be able to volunteer with TWB if they are fluent in at least one other language or if they are willing to fulfill roles such as project manager, graphic or web page designers and fundraising coordinators. Hours must be verified by the project supervisor.

Philanthropy

1. Adopt a School: Supplies for Brookdale Elementary (5hrs) | August 23 – August 27, 2021

Many families are struggling. With high unemployment, and millions of students enrolled in the free and reduced meal programs, many parents are unable to provide the basic school supplies their children need to be effective. In addition, schools across the country are facing severe budget cuts and lack the funding to purchase necessary supplies. Students are required to donated 10 school supply items to the Jonas T. Kennedy Health and Wellness Complex (Gym). ***Honors College students are exempt from donating; however, students can assist career development with packing school supplies.***

2. Grad Raise: Community Service Jumpstart (20hrs) | July 12 – August 13, 2021

<https://claflin.amploadvance.com/pages/home-2169>

Graduway is the online student management portal which allows students to connect with mentors in the sector in which they wish to be employed in. A component of this site, GradRaise, allows students to jumpstart their community service activities in the month of July by donating \$20 to specified organizations such as: the American Heart Association, the National Kidney Foundation, the Sickle Cell Foundation, March of Dimes, and Packin' and Snackin'. ***Honors College students are exempt from participating in this initiative.***

3. Packin' and Snackin' (5hrs) | September 24, 2021

Claflin University students in collaboration with the Office of Career Development and University Athletics, supported Orangeburg Consolidated School District Filling Station Program through the University's Packin' and Snackin' Project. The university's goal is to donate non-perishable items to the Filling Station. Students are required to donated 10 non-perishable food items to the Jonas T. Kennedy Health and Wellness Complex (Gym). ***Honors College students are exempt from donating; however, students can assist career development with packing food items.***

Miscellaneous

1. 6FTCloser (1hr per letter/video) | OPEN

<https://www.6ftcloser.com/>

Students will use 6FTCloser to send messages of goodwill, gratitude, and recognition to someone they've never met. Soldiers and veterans who've fought for our freedom, teachers who inspire our future leaders, medical professionals who keep us healthy, parents who love and support us, and friends who are with us through thick and thin. Within the impact's reflection on givepulse.com, students are required to detail their experience and upload a copy of their letter/video.

2. Be My Eyes (1hr per session) | OPEN

<https://www.bemyeyes.com/>

Be My Eyes is a free app that connects blind and low-vision people with sighted volunteers and company representatives for visual assistance through a live video call. Students will use this platform to help others achieve goals. How it works: Blind or low-vision person requests assistance >>> Sighted volunteer receives video call. Within the impact reflection on givepulse.com, students are required describe their experience and upload a screen shot their video chat.

3. Breast Cancer Awareness Walk (1hr) | October 12, 2021

Participants walk to celebrate and honor breast cancer survivors and caregivers, educate the public about prevention and detection to reduce the risk of the disease. This event will be held at the Jonas T. Kennedy Health and Wellness Complex (Gym). Within the impact reflection on givepulse.com, students are required to describe their experience and highlight the importance of breast cancer awareness.

4. Career Development Educational Programs (CDEP) (1.5 hrs) | Dates Varied

In 2021, the HBCU CDM Employee Advisory Committee will launch the Career Development & Employment Program to: equip first-year HBCU students with a comprehensive career toolkit and the ability to understand and “tell their story”; focus on job search readiness for second-year students; and offered to juniors and seniors career development opportunities based on their specific MAJOR. Students are required to attend professional development workshops and describe their experience within the impact's reflection on givepulse.com.

5. Empower a Youth Through Mentoring! (hours varied) | OPEN

http://uway.galaxydigital.com/need/detail/?need_id=561581

Have you ever benefitted from having a mentor in your life? Do you want to empower a young person to see beyond the barriers that currently surround them? Empower 1 Empowering All Mentoring Program is all about growth of the youth at South Carolina Department of Juvenile Justice. We want to assure that someone cares for them and believes in them in every area of their lives. They matter and whatever challenges they face, we will be able to help mentor them through those challenges into great young men and woman. JOIN US in this virtual opportunity, spend one hour a week, one-on-one, and be the voice that makes a difference!

6. Graduway: Breast Cancer Awareness Pink Fashion Show (1hr) | October 27, 2021

<https://panthersatworkmentoringprogram.com>

Build school camaraderie and spirits by inviting your friends to participate in a virtual fashion show. Students will hit the “runway” individually or as a group by posting pictures of themselves in pink clothing. Have some fun by adding in crazy hats, feather boas, and big sunglasses, etc. Photos must be uploaded to the Graduway mobile app or the website listed above. Within the impact reflection on givepulse.com, students are required to add one fact about breast cancer and their picture.

7. Grow a Mo (5hrs) | November 1 – November 19

<https://panthersatworkmentoringprogram.com>

Men are facing a health crisis that isn’t being talked about. They’re dying too young. Much before their time. A problem this size calls for big minds, and big solutions. But there’s a smaller, hairier solution to the men’s health crisis. A solution you can Grow yourself. A solution that’s sitting right under your nose. Grow a Mo (Mustache) this Movember (November) to raise funds and awareness for men’s health. Stop men dying too young. Take a picture of your mustache on the first day and a two-week later result photo. Photos must be uploaded to the graduway mobile app or the website listed above. Within the impact reflection on givepulse.com, students are required to detail their journey and their picture.

8. Movember: Men’s Health Awareness Walk (1hr) | November 2, 2021

Commit to running or walking 60 minutes, at your own pace. That’s 60 minutes for the 60 men we lose to suicide each hour, every hour across the world. Since 2003, Movember has increased awareness on Mental health and suicide prevention, prostate cancer and testicular cancer. The initiative challenging the status quo, shakes up research and motivates men to take action for their health. Within the impact reflection on givepulse.com, students are required to add one fact about Movember. This event will be held at the Jonas T. Kennedy Health and Wellness Complex (Gym).

9. National Read a Book Day | September 6, 2021

Before you curl up with your favorite magazine or a new book, remember how you learned to read and consider paying it forward to a young reader. National Reading Day aims to help Pre-K through third grade students develop the literacy skills they need to become lifelong learners. By donating a children’s book for children of color, or volunteering to read with children or otherwise supporting early-grade literacy, you can foster a child’s love of reading and impact his or her life immediately and for their lifetime. Students can donate books specifically for children of color to the Office of Career Development. See email to sign-up to become a virtual reader. Within the impact’s reflection on givepulse.com, students are required to detail their experience and the importance of reading. ***Honors College students are exempt from donating; however, students can assist career development with packing books.***

10. Panther Pantry (60 hours) | August – November 2021

Volunteering with Claflin University’s Panther Pantry benefits our community by providing food to students in need. Student will pack/unpack and store weekly and distribute food donated to the pantry on Tuesdays and Thursdays of each week. Volunteers must be vaccinated to participate. Due to Covid-19 restrictions, spaces are limited. Students are encouraged to check their email or the Graduway mobile app for sign-up details. Serious Inquires only.

11. Protect Your Community: Get Vaccinated! (4hrs) | August 2 – November 19

Did you know that when you get vaccinated, you’re protecting yourself and your community? Community immunity protects everyone. But it’s especially important because some people can’t get vaccinated for certain diseases — such as people with some serious allergies and those with weakened or failing immune systems (like people who have cancer, HIV/AIDS, type 1 diabetes, or other health conditions). Students are required to upload their completed Covid-19 Vaccination Cards or confirmations to givepulse.com. Within the impact’s reflection, students are required to detail their vaccination experience.

12. Reading Tutor (1hr per day) | August 2 – August 31, 2021

<https://forms.gle/haPzMWfQ8NGPUL2y9>

The Midlands Reading Consortium (MRC), a volunteer tutoring initiative that improves the reading engagement of elementary school students, respectfully invites the students of Claflin University to become volunteer reading tutors in Orangeburg County.

13. Turbo Vote: Register to Vote (2hrs) | OPEN

<https://turbovote.org/>

TurboVote is an online tool that helps students vote in every election—local, state, and national. During the signup process, TurboVote provides students the voter registration options for their home or college state: the state’s official online voter registration (OVR) system, if available, or a paper registration form. Within the impact’s reflection on givepulse.com, students are required to upload sign-up confirmation and discuss the importance of voting.

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