

BUCHAREST CIVIS SERVICE-LEARNING MANIFESTO

LEARNING WITH COMMUNITIES. TRANSFORMING EUROPE TOGETHER

As the CIVIS European Civic University Alliance, we believe that higher education must actively contribute to the well-being of society. Through service-learning, we bring together academic knowledge, community engagement, and civic action to advance inclusion, sustainability, democracy, and the common good.



We are guided by the following principles

- Institutional commitment or support
- Civic engagement & social responsibility embedded in the curriculum
- Reciprocity and meaningful partnerships
- Learning through service and service informed by knowledge
- Reflection and critical thinking
- Social justice, inclusion, digital empowerment and sustainability (SDGs)



We believe in...



LEARNING THAT INSPIRES ACTION

We connect academic learning with meaningful community engagement, empowering students to become active, reflective, and responsible citizens capable of addressing real-world challenges. (learning with social value)

PARTNERSHIPS THAT TRANSFORM

We build relationships founded on trust, reciprocity, mutual respect, and shared responsibility, recognizing communities as equal partners in the co-creation of knowledge and social change.

QUALITY & SOCIAL IMPACT

We promote evidence-based practice, critical reflection, and active participation to ensure high-quality learning experiences, effective service, and lasting positive impact for communities.

UNIVERSITIES' CIVIC MISSION

We envision universities where service-learning is fully embedded in institutional culture, policies, teaching, research, and community engagement practices.

SOCIAL JUSTICE & SUSTAINABILITY

We promote equitable, accessible, and sustainable opportunities for all, embracing digital innovation responsibly and ethically to create inclusive and resilient societies.

SHARING MOTIVATION, KNOWLEDGE & CELEBRATING ACHIEVEMENTS

We value collaboration, and knowledge exchange, and celebrate collective achievement. By sharing experiences and outcomes, we strengthen civic communities and inspire broader social engagement.

TOGETHER, WE STRIVE TO MAKE HIGHER EDUCATION A POWERFUL FORCE FOR DEMOCRACY, JUSTICE, SUSTAINABILITY, AND SOCIAL TRANSFORMATION ACROSS CIVIS, EUROPE AND BEYOND.



Learn. Serve. Transform. Together!



