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WHAT IS <u>CIVIC ENGAGEMENT</u>: WORKING TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE IN THE CIVIC LIFE OF OUR COMMUNITIES AND DEVELOPING THE COMBINATION OF KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS, VALUES, AND MOTIVATION TO MAKE THAT DIFFERENCE.

SAMPLE BEHAVIORS

- Understand the importance of being an active member of one's community.
- Volunteer one's time to non-profit or community organizations.
- Stay informed about issues facing their community.
- Make an effort to vote and cast their ballots in every election.
- Not afraid to take action when they notice a problem in their community.
- Motivated to make a difference in their community.

WHY EMPLOYERS CARE

- Can you tell me about a time when you had a meaningful impact on your local community?
- How do you believe you are leaving LSU a better place than when you arrived?
- Why do you think a company should be involved in its community?
- What are some ideas you have for increasing civic engagement in your community?
- Describe a time when you motivated others to support a cause that was important to you?

WHERE TO BUILD IT...

- Volunteer LSU
- Service Learning courses
- · Student organizations
- Cultural Center programs
- Student Government
- Geaux Vote



HOW TO **TALK** ABOUT IT

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- Read to a third grader from a local elementary school multiple times a week during the school year.
- Mentored a high school senior as they prepared for college application process.
- Organized a voter registration event that was hosted in Free Speech Alley through the Geaux Vote student organization.
- Collaborated with a team of five other students to organize a Governor Debate watch party and post-debate panel discussion.
- Sorted food donations at the LSU Food Pantry as part of a service-learning course.
- Checked-in race participants at the Susan G. Komen 5k Race hosted by Zeta Tau Alpha sorority.