

VCU School of Dentistry

Service-Learning Program

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What is Service-Learning?

- A method of teaching, learning and reflecting that combines academic classroom curriculum with meaningful service throughout the community.



Purpose:

- The purpose of service-learning is to provide ways for individual students to address the needs of their communities through their service and to use their experiences to facilitate the learning process in college courses.
- The service-learning program is also an innovative and sustainable model for increasing access to care within the community.

“Interested Friends”

- Dental Education

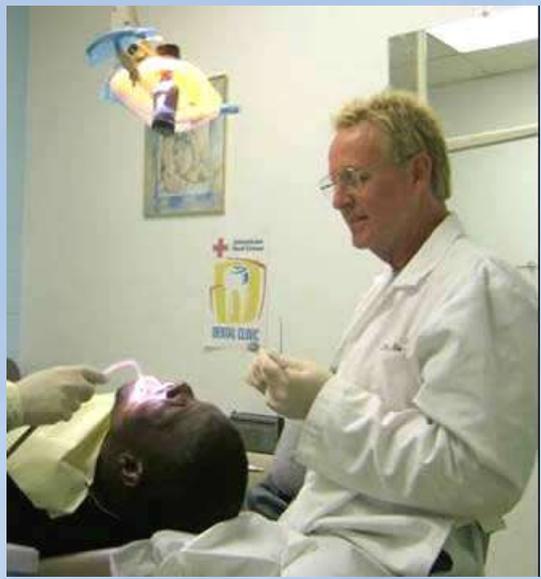
- Reduce operating cost for dental education
- Increase means to provide care for those with limited access and financial means
- Adds flexibility and student-friendliness to dental / dental hygiene curriculums

- Community Partners

- Increase access to care for those who otherwise may not be able to obtain it
- Expand and enhance VCU presence in and long-term commitment to the area
- Establish a pipeline for the recruitment of young dentists to fill workforce vacancies



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How does it Work?

- Selection Criteria
- Mutual Responsibilities
- Responsibilities of the University
- Responsibilities of the Community Site
- Responsibilities of the Student

And, aah yes,

The Paperwork!



- Affiliation Agreement
- Adjunct Faculty Appointment