

Making the Most of Your Partnership with FGCU



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Introductions

- Name & Organization
- New or Returner (*how long*)

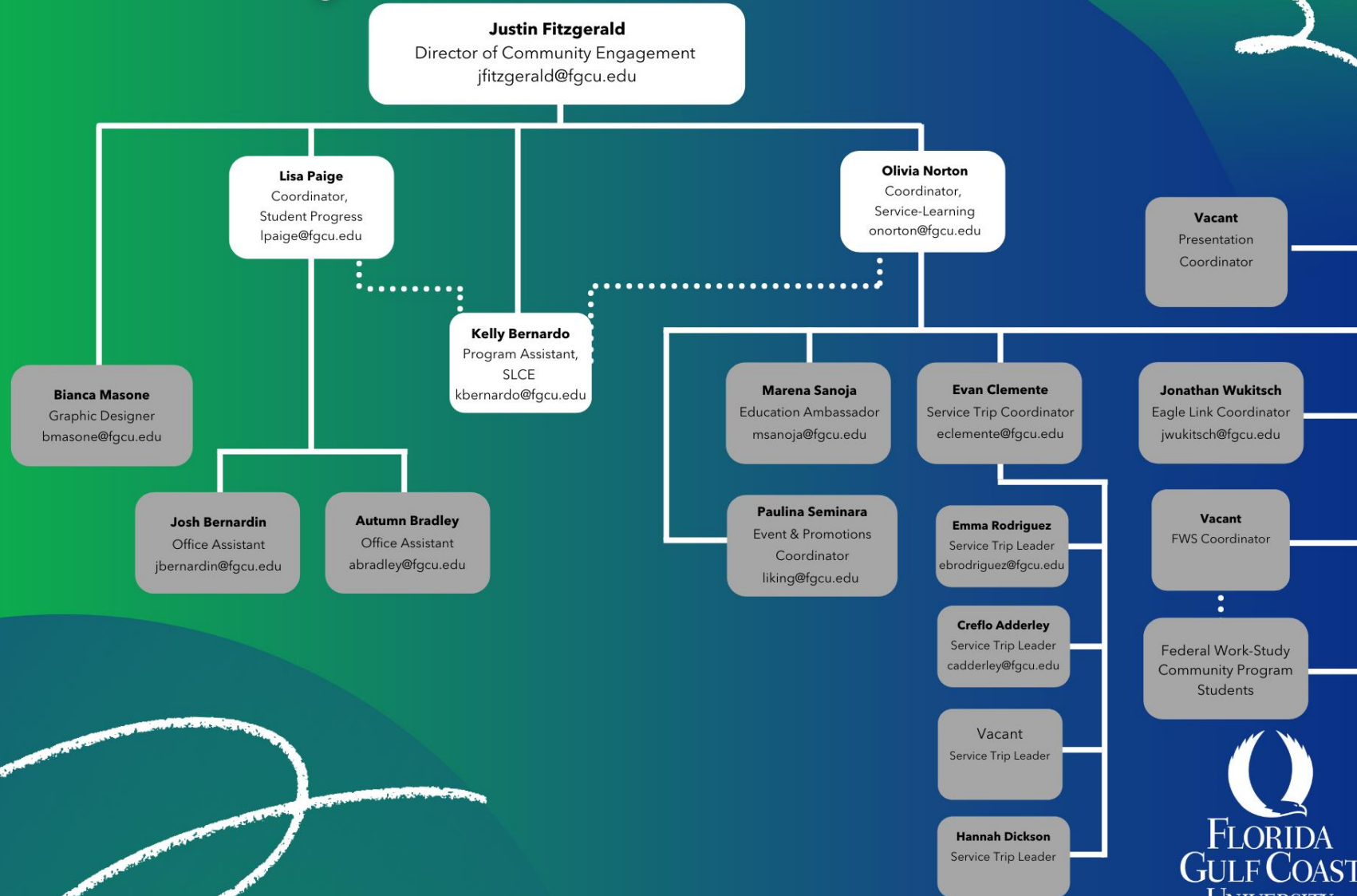
Our Department

- Experiential Learning & Career Development (ELCD)
 - Career Development Services
 - Office of Internships & Cooperative Programs
 - Office of Service-Learning & Civic Engagement
 - Justin Fitzgerald, Director
 - Olivia Norton, Coordinator of Service-Learning
 - Lisa Paige, Coordinator of Student Progress
 - Kelly Bernardo, Program Assistant
 - Student Assistant Team



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2021-22 Organizational Chart



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Campus Updates

- COVID-19
- Earlier SLH Deadline
- Homecoming/FGCU Day
- Water School
- Current Student Culture



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WHAT IS SERVICE-LEARNING?

Fully Integrated at FGCU

- Course-Based (*SRVC Attribute*)
- Student Organizations
- Fraternities/Sororities
- Independent

Graduation Requirement

- FTIC & Lower-Level Transfer: 80 Service-Learning Hours
- Upper-Level Transfer: 40 Service-Learning Hours

Why A Requirement?

Areas to Explore through Service-Learning

- Passion
- Major
- Career Readiness Skills



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WHAT IS SERVICE-LEARNING?

Four Types of Service

- Direct
- In-Direct
- Advocacy
- Research

**quick exercise*

Our Frameworks



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Engaging With FGCU Students

- [Getting Started Page](#) of our Website
- [Community Partner Database](#)
- [Service-Learning Opportunities Database](#)
- SLCE Weekly Service Trips
- Class-Based Projects
- Registered Student Organizations
- Individual Students
- Social Media Take-Overs
- Annual Events ([register on Eventbrite page](#))
 - Service-Learning Fairs
 - WOW Day of Service
 - Make a Difference Day
 - Soaring With Service/Homecoming
 - Community Partner Workshops/Mixers
 - Community Engagement Day

***Note: Not all student connections are created equal. It's important to find your best fit.**



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POST-SERVICE ENGAGEMENT

Verify S-L Hours ASAP via emailed link

- Discuss while working together – give a deadline
- Have a tracking system to ensure accuracy when verifying

Communicate Names to SLCE

- Complete survey (if sent)
OR
- Send names and emails to Justin Fitzgerald (jfitzgerald@fgcu.edu)

Follow-Up with Students

- Remind about tracking hours
- Send additional opportunities
- Share pictures



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TRACKING SERVICE-LEARNING HOURS

- 1 hour of time = 1 service-learning hour
- The actual workflow/process of tracking S-L hours
- The student's role vs the community partner's role
- When to expect heavy communication times
- Earlier deadline for graduating seniors
- New tracking hours campaigns
- Key staff members in the tracking process



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NEXT STEPS

- Join the community partner database
- Post opportunities in the service-learning opportunities database
- Follow-up with students who've worked with you in the past about future opportunities
- Send student names and emails every time you work with FGCU students
- Register for upcoming events
 - Spring Service-Learning Fair
 - Spring Community Partner Workshop on 3/16/22
 - Community Engagement Day @ Eagle X



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QUESTIONS?

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