

Retention Project – Washington Campus Compact

The Retention Project uses service-learning as a strategy to improve retention and academic advancement rates of first-generation college students and first-generation college-bound students. First-generation college students will engage in service-learning (mentoring and service projects) with first-generation college-bound students. As a result, both college and college-bound students will strengthen their commitment to their own education, will stay in school, and will advance in their academic careers.

The primary function of the Retention Project AmeriCorps member will be to recruit and advise on-campus first-generation college students to serve as mentors to high school and college students, designing and executing service projects and service-learning for both college and high school students. AmeriCorps members will also participate in National Days of Service, and will receive training and support as members of the statewide 35-member Washington Campus Compact AmeriCorps Retention Project Team. AmeriCorps members will serve from August 1, 2012 through June 30, 2013 on one of twenty one participating higher education campuses in the Seattle area, Spokane, Bellingham, Tacoma, Olympia, Vancouver, and the Yakima Valley.

Counties Served:

Grant
Kittitas
King
Pierce
Spokane
Snohomish
Thurston
Whatcom
Whitman

Number of Members:

35 AmeriCorps Members

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