

TOOLS of ENGAGEMENT

WHAT ARE TOOLS OF ENGAGEMENT?

A set of online learning modules that help students learn how to work collaboratively with community partners

"... [community engagement] has provided me a way to really understand the issues that I learn about in class and has also helped me find a way to be a part of making a stronger community."

~ Emily Cunningham
MSU Student

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GOALS

The Tools of Engagement modules challenge students to accept the responsibility of engaging with community partners, and describe how they might become engaged in mutually respectful and beneficial partnerships.

The modules are designed to:

- Introduce undergraduate students to the concept of university-community engagement
- Develop their community-based research and engagement skills
- Assist with training the next generation of engaged scholars

MODULES

1. The Engaged Scholar: MSU's Land-Grant Mission
2. Community-Based Engagement: Power and Privilege
3. Collaborative Negotiation
4. Principles of Engagement: How to Make Groups Work
5. Capacity Building

KEY FEATURE: CRITICAL REFLECTION

The modules encourage students to reflect critically on the content. They also provide students with concrete examples that illustrate abstract concepts and then ask students to come up with their own real-life examples.

FOR INSTRUCTORS

All the modules are accessible by MSU Net ID and password. Instructors can access supplemental resources, such as assessments, in-class activities, reflection journal questions, and additional readings.

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