

Got Selfless Service?

The university's purpose statement is to develop leaders of character dedicated to serving the greater good. This is defined by six core values which are: Excellence, Integrity, Leadership, Loyalty, Respect, and Selfless Service. At first glance it may appear the core values are for students when in reality the core values are for students, and faculty, and staff.

Today wraps up the last of the core values. The last core value is probably the most difficult because it involves you as an individual, and causes you to ponder what's valuable to you, which is your time. No matter who you are – rank, title, or position, you only get 24 hours, or 1440 minutes per day.

From a compliance point of view- Do you put in an honest days' work? Do you call in sick when really not sick? Do you skip class for no reason other than not wanting to attend? Only you can answer that. Ultimately selfless service is doing something for someone else when it's not convenient or comfortable to you.

I leave you with this question. Are you adopting any or all of the core values into your daily routines both at work and in your community? If not, why?