Benefits to joining AmeriCorps

♦ Engage your community
♦ Gain valuable training and leadership skills
♦ Earn an Education Award for your service
♦ Network with students throughout Iowa
♦ Become part of a national movement!

Training sessions

As part of the Iowa Campus Compact cohort, you will have an opportunity to attend various leadership events, including the Iowa Leadership Institute for National Service in May and the Iowa Conference on Volunteer Service in the fall. Both events are opportunities to help you become a stronger more effective leader, as well as prepare you for potential careers.
What is AmeriCorps?

Started in 1993, over 500,000 AmeriCorps Members have volunteered with local, state, and national non-profit agencies. More than 4,000 of these members have been Iowans, contributing 5.2 million hours. Those serving in AmeriCorps provide needed assistance to millions of Americans to meet critical needs in:

- Education
- Public Safety
- Health
- Homeland Security
- Environment

Why AmeriCorps?

As a member of AmeriCorps, you have the opportunity to serve non-profit and public agencies to build a culture of citizenship, service, and responsibility. You will learn about yourself and the world around you in new and exciting ways. Gaining experience and memories, you will carry AmeriCorps with you for years to come.

Terms of Service & Education Award

After you have finished your service, you will receive an education award to cover your current education, future college expenses, or pay back student loans. Education awards are valid for 7 years.

- 300 hours of service receives a $1000 Education Award
- 450 hours of service receives a $1,250 Education Award

What activities count towards hours?

- Off campus work study positions at non-profit agencies
- Service-learning placements
- Internships at qualified locations
- Alternative break trips
- Volunteer placement
- Student service organizations

Am I Eligible?

You are eligible if you are:

- A United States Citizen or a Lawful Permanent Resident
- Age 17 or older
- Enrolled in or connected to an Iowa Campus Compact member college or university
- Interested in being involved in service to your community

Iowa Campus Compact Members:

- AIB College of Business
- Allen College
- Buena Vista University
- Central College
- Clarke College
- Coe College
- Cornell College
- Des Moines Area Community College
- Dordt College
- Drake University
- Grandview College
- Iowa Western Community College
- Loras College
- Luther College
- Marshalltown Community College
- Morningside College
- Northwestern College
- Simpson College
- St. Ambrose University
- University of Iowa
- Wartburg College

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