

LSU Partnering with Communities Through Service-Learning

Jan Shoemaker Director, Louisiana State University Service-Learning Program Jshoema@lsu.edu

How can communities connect with universities to enhance tourism?

Key Question

What is Service-Learning?

- Credit-bearing student learning experiences
- Organized service activities
- Community service goals
- University course learning goals
- Civic responsibility enhancement

Architecture Example

• The Office of Community Design and Development

Planning project in Clinton, Louisiana includes research, data collection, physical inventory, strategic planning and master plan development.



Architecture Example

The LSU Office of Community Preservation

- resource inventories and assessments
- planning concept documents
- graphic visualizations

to help promote a better-informed dialogue about community assets and liabilities

Community Involvement

Architecture students get feedback from community members after creating a development plan and a web site for community organizations to facilitate community development and communication.

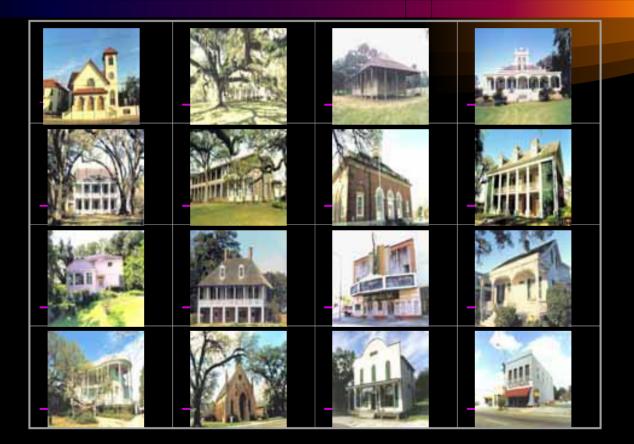


Louisiana Heritage Network



- guide to the cultural and natural heritage resources of Louisiana and the Lower Mississippi Delta Region.
- an ongoing research and community service project of the Office of Community Preservation at Louisiana State University. http://LHN.lsu.edu

The Louisiana Heritage Network Iberia Parish Photo Album





Landscape Architecture

- urban public spaces
- business parks
- public gardens
- management of natural parks and forests
- regional and rural landscapes
- design parks and recreational facilities
- tourism plans



Atchafalaya Trace Project

Teams of landscape architecture students produced an inventory and analysis report surveying the 13-parish Atchafalaya Trace Area for the Atchafalaya Trace Commission to use in promoting tourism.



Interior Design

Students partnered with City of Bogalusa and Louisiana Main Street to design and market revitalized main street plan for the city.





Bringing Back The Magic

Landscape architecture students recreate the main street and market their plan to Bogalusa residents.

Redwood Theater Before and After

Bringing Back The Magic

The Redwood Theater





Café Before and After



Technical Writing example

Technical Writing: Students presented their grant proposal to representatives of their agency and a potential funding foundation. The proposal won a \$50,000 grant to build a playground for the Children's Development Center.



Biological Engineering Example

• Students design and construct playgrounds consistent with human and environmental

constraints.



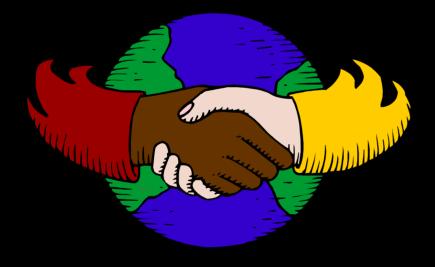
Service-Learning Connects Civic and Academic Goals

SERVICE-LEARNING

Pure Service

Pure Learning

How can I learn more?



www.lsu.edu Click LSU A-Z

<u>www.cas.lsu.edu</u> Click "Service-Learning"

www.design.lsu.edu

http://lhn.lsu.edu/

Contact your local schools and ask for specific departments.