



SERVICE LEARNING AND CIVIC ENGAGEMENT THROUGH HIGHER EDUCATION

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BUILDING TRANSFORMATIONAL COMMUNITY LEADERS THROUGH SERVICE-LEARNING

ABSTRACT:

This presentation will introduce an innovative, university-wide campus/community engagement program called Experience UGA. The unique field trip program brings over 7,000 + students from the local school district to campus each year for a hands-on, curricular-based experiences. Participants in this session can expect to get a deeper understanding of the overall program and gain insight into the challenges and opportunities of a large-scale K-12 collaboration.

THEMATIC FOCUS:

Floods and Droughts: Too much of one thing, not enough of another. How complimentary partnership can fill the gaps.

BIO:

Aiyana Egin serves as the program coordinator for Experience UGA where she oversees the programs' outreach efforts and facilitation of educational field trips for over 12,000+ students in the Clarke County School District on UGA's campus. She holds a B.A from Wesleyan College in Music and is currently pursuing a master's and certification in Music Therapy at UGA.

Prior to this role, Aiyana has worked for two non-profits in Georgia focused on providing housing and employment for youth. While also serving as a volunteer for Girls Inc, the American Cancer Society, and National Diabetes Association. Aiyana started her own organization, You Go Girl Enterprises in 2017, to cultivate confidence in young women through social media, events, and seminars. In her free time, she enjoys spending time with her family and taking part in events centered around instilling confidence in youth.