Explanation Exhibit C_3_g_5

C3.g.5. Participate in community service.

In conjunction with GC liberal arts mission, there is a framework of leadership development and community engagement that is emphasized from both faculty and students. The <u>Give Center</u> is an important part of helping students and faculty to work collectively to give back to the community in a coordinated and effective way.

The CoHS Center for Health and Social Issues has received a number of Robert Woods Johnson Grants to help support issues within the community in which GC resides. During this upcoming year the CoHS is focusing on the center becoming a community engagement hub for all of our students, faculty, and staff to create a greater positive impact on our local and surrounding areas.

Faculty members are highly service oriented and are active at the local, state, national and international level in professional nursing organization. Many faculty members engage in activities in Theta Tau Chapter of Sigma Theta Tau International. Each year faculty accompany students to Honduras, Tanzania, Philippines, and Belize on service learning study abroad opportunities that provide education and healthcare as part of the mission of GC SON. The GC SON faculty established and provide healthcare alongside our students at <u>DayBreak Clinic</u> – a day shelter and health clinic for the homeless population. The GC SON provides flexibility in scheduling of faculty to foster opportunities for community service. The GC SON recently received notification that their application to establish a Medical Reserve Corp had been approved. This will allow students and faculty to set up and run shelters in case of emergencies. In our area of the country evacuation from hurricanes are a frequent event.

Exhibits:

- 1. Medical Reserve Corp at Georgia College (Letter)
- 2. Service Learning Study Abroad Experiences
- 3. Day Break Clinic
- 4. CoHS Center for Health and Social Issues
- 5. GC Give Center