

# The Path to 2020

*A Structured Process of  
Institutional Self-Study*



UTRioGrandeValley



# The Carnegie Foundation's Classification for Community Engagement

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An **elective classification**, meaning that it is based on voluntary participation by institutions. ... It is an institutional **classification**

**It is not an award, rather a process of self-assessment and documentation of *community engagement* practice.**

# Community Engagement Defined By Carnegie

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Community engagement describes the **collaboration** between institutions of higher education and their larger for the **mutually beneficial exchange of knowledge and resources** in a context of **partnership** and **reciprocity**.

The purpose of community engagement is to **enrich scholarship, research, and creative activity; enhance curriculum, teaching and learning;** prepare educated, engaged citizens; strengthen democratic values and civic responsibility; address critical societal issues; and contribute to the public good.

# Motivation for seeking Carnegie Classification

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**Legitimacy:** Seeking new level of legitimacy for community engagement, an institutional core priority, in a public/visible way

**Accountability:** To demonstrate accountability in fulfilling mission of serving the public good

**Catalyst for Change:** A tool for fostering institutional alignment for community-based teaching, learning, scholarship

# Foundational Indicators

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## Identity & Culture

- Mission
- Vision
- Strategic plan
- Marketing
- Community voice

## Institutional Commitment

- Coordinating infrastructure
- Awards
- T & P Policies
- Faculty Development

## Curricular Engagement

- For credit courses
- Community Engagement rewarded as form of teaching, scholarship

# Timeline

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1. Framework was released **January 22, 2018**
2. Application portal opens **May 1, 2018.**
3. Application deadline is **April 15, 2019.**
4. Campuses notified in **December 2019.**
5. Public announcement of classified campuses in **January 2020.**

# How Can You Help?

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1. Champion policies that support Community Engagement at all levels.
2. Recognize, feature, highlight community engaged activities and faculty champions.
3. Encourage faculty to submit activities in the UTRGV and the Community Portal.

## **UTRGV and the Community**

is the portal where students, faculty, and the community may explore the many ways UTRGV serves and learns with the community.





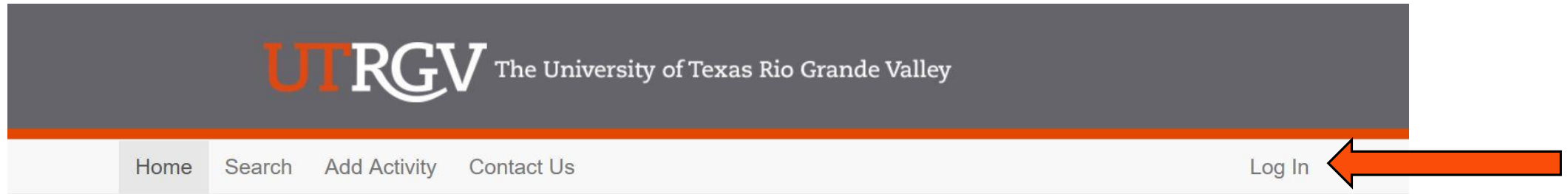
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- 1. Receive the link**
- 2. Forward to faculty & staff**
- 3. Encourage submissions**

**STEP 1** Visit <https://webapps.utrgv.edu/gc/ce/home> and click **Log In**




**WELCOME** to the portal where students, faculty, and the community may explore the many ways UTRGV serves and learns with the community. If you are UTRGV Faculty or Staff and want to report a community engagement activity, please [log in](#). If you simply want to learn about programs and community engagement happenings, begin your discovery now by clicking on one of the frames.

# STEP 2 Log in with your UTRGV credentials

**UTRGV** The University of Texas Rio Grande Valley

Home Search Add Activity Contact Us Log In

 **UTRGV Login**

If you are currently involved in any community engagement based activity please log in to submit your information.

**Log In with your UTRGV account**

**Log In**

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[Can't access your account?](#)

To protect your personal information, please close ALL open browser windows when you log out.

By pressing the Log In button, you agree to:

- Use the system and data only for official university transactions.
- Never share your password or access.

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Unauthorized use of this site is prohibited and may subject you to civil and criminal prosecution. Usage may be subject to security testing and monitoring.

# STEP 3 Under “Add Activity”, select which description fits your activity



Thank you for helping to inform university and community stakeholders about the community engagement resources and activities at UTRGV.

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**The resource or activity you are reporting about** may be a center, office or department, program, event, or any other effort that involves community engagement.

Community Engagement Inventory

I am reporting about a(n)



- UTRGV Center
- UTRGV Office or Department
- Program
- Event
- Other

# STEP 4 Complete all fields that are applicable

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Name of the Program

Website (if applicable)

Start Date  

End Date  

- What is the focus of the Program?  
(Select all that apply)
- Health and Wellness
  - Culture and Art
  - Community/Economic Development
  - Education

- Does it engage university students?
- Yes
  - No



# STEP 5

Click the Submit button to upload your entry details

If other please explain

UTRGV Division(s) affiliated with

Department(s)/program(s) affiliated with

Name of Primary Contact

Phone number of Primary Contact

Email address of Primary Contact



Submit

# Contact us

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