

VOICES OF CEL

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Community Engaged Learning (CEL) is a method of experiential learning that encourages action, reflection and real-world engagement. It allows people to participate in hands-on experiences while gaining critical thinking, problem solving and reflection skills through creating mutually beneficial relationships between individuals and communities. It also allows students to link their academic experiences to their communities.

Campus to Community

Campus to Community (C2C) Days are half-day sessions where students participate in service work with communities in the Greater Ottawa area throughout the whole academic year.

This January, Carleton students partnered with Ausome Ottawa and helped support children with autism through basketball on January 26th, and supported their Soccer and Get Moving program on February 12th. Also, on February 4th, the Campus to Community group supported the In From The Cold Program at Parkdale United Church. Our Ravens have been very involved and helping within the Ottawa community!

March 9th we are partnering with Ausome Ottawa and supporting children with autism through soccer! Then, on March 11th we are returning to Parkdale United Church to help serve meals and assist with clean-up for the In From The Cold Program.

If you are interested in attending any of these C2C days, you can [sign-up here!](#)

On-Campus Leadership Employment

Are you someone who likes supporting and interacting with students? Do you want to be on a fun and encouraging team? [Click here to apply](#) to be a CU 1001 Orientation Leader!



The Student Experience Office is currently hiring CU 1001 Orientation Leaders for the summer 2023 term. This full-time paid position supports the development of the [CU 1001 course](#) and leads [Experience Days](#) to welcome new students and their families to the Carleton community. The CU 1001 course and Experience Day programs are designed to promote success across Carleton's five pillars of Academic, Finance, Campus Life, Wellness and Employability, to help students start university feeling informed and confident. In addition, CU 1001 Orientation Leaders support one of five portfolios within the Student Life team. One of the portfolios is dedicated to CEL!

The full job description and application can be [found here](#). Applications are due Monday February 27th at noon.

Humans of CEL

Raven O'Brien



Hi, my name is Raven O'Brien and I am in my 2nd year of a Bachelor of Global and International Studies, specialization in Globalization and the Environment. On February 4th, I lead a C2C Day for "In From the Cold" Ottawa and Carleton University volunteers. At the church, we served free hot meals to people who came in. There was live music and a craft table as well. This day was about negative 30 degrees Celsius, so it was the perfect day to help the homeless community in Ottawa. At the event, everyone was very friendly and there was always someone to converse with. At the end, we assisted with clean up. I plan to participate again as it was a great experience and did not take more than about three hours of my day.

Community Engaged Learning is important because it allows you to realize what is going on in your everyday surroundings. Especially for University students who may be a part of creating the future knowing what really happens in the community is important. Plus, many people at University, including myself, are new to the Ottawa community. So, Community Engaged Learning allows incoming students to be involved in the new area.

I would advise people considering getting involved in their surrounding communities to do it for the right reasons and not just to say you are a good person. Also, realize you are there to work with the community and not to work for the community. You are not superior to the community. Approaching with these ideas in mind will help you to connect better with the community you are involved with.



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Partner Feature In From The Cold

One of the organizations that our Ravens are partnering with this term for Campus to Community is In From The Cold. This program operates out of Parkdale United Church. It brings together members of Parkdale United Church and volunteers from the wider community to support guests experiencing poverty or other challenges by providing 4 course meals. Over 90 volunteers work each week to help cook and prepare the meals for 120 to 150 guests; a steady increase from only 35 guests in November 2002. [Click here](#) to learn more about In From The Cold and discover opportunities to serve.

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