

# STUDENT LEADERSHIP

A member of Campus Compact, CSU promotes programs that develop citizenship skills and values, including service learning and partnerships between the campus and community. CSU has been named a "Top Character-Building Institution" by the Templeton Foundation. CSU encourages students to explore the many opportunities to enhance learning by getting involved on campus and in local communities.

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## Associated Students of CSU (ASCSU)

All fee-paying CSU students are members of Associated Students of Colorado State University (<http://ascsu.colostate.edu/>) (ASCSU), the student governing body that advocates for student interests and welfare across the campus, city, state, and federal level. ASCSU serves as the direct student representation on multiple areas of campus such as the Board of Governors, Student Fee Review Board, and the Board of Student Organization Funding. ASCSU comprises three main branches: Legislative, Executive, and Judicial. Through these branches, different levels of representation exists to ensure that the student's voice is heard. ASCSU offers programs and services to all CSU students such as Ram Leadership Team, Grill the Buffs, and the For-Ever-Green shirt program.

## Graduate Student Council

The Graduate Student Council (<http://graduateschool.colostate.edu/campus-life/get-involved/>) represents and advocates for graduate and professional students to improve the experience of graduate education. The Graduate Student Council consists of student representatives from each department which enrolls graduate or professional students, with two representative seats allocated to each department. The Council elects its own officers and nominates representatives for committees such as Faculty Council, boards overseeing student fee areas, etc.

## College Councils

Students who have declared a major can contact their Dean's Office in order to find out more about the College's Student Council and the leadership opportunities it may afford. Students who have not declared a major should contact the Collaborative for Student Achievement (<http://studentachievement.colostate.edu/>) for information about the Undeclared Leadership Council.

## President's Leadership Program (PLP)

The President's Leadership Program (<http://lsc.colostate.edu/slice/slice-leadership/>) is a fourteen credit leadership development experience consisting of three independent year-long (two semester) academic and experiential courses designed to explore the personal, organizational, and social dimensions of leadership through course-work, retreats, and

service learning. Students must apply and be selected to participate in each year of the program. Successful completion of PLP can contribute to an interdisciplinary minor in leadership studies.

## Honorary Societies

By promoting, advancing, and recognizing the top scholars of our campus community, honorary societies (<http://provost.colostate.edu/honorcsu/>) assist students in their pursuit of academic excellence. Students are advised to exercise caution when accepting invitations from honor societies. Not all such organizations provide honors that will be recognized and valued by the academic community and potential employers.

## Campus Connections

Campus Connections (<https://www.chhs.colostate.edu/cc/>) is a high-impact service learning course where undergraduate students serve as mentors to youth who have experienced adversity. Students from any major work one-on-one with youth ranging in age from 10-18 who are referred to Campus Connections from community partners within the juvenile justice system, local schools, community agencies, and directly from families. Youth participate in Campus Connections with their mentor on the CSU campus once a week in a structured and engaging mentoring community. Students may earn the nine-credit Youth Mentoring with Campus Connections Certificate (<https://www.chhs.colostate.edu/cc/csu-student-involvement/certificate-in-youth-mentoring-with-campus-connections/>) through participation as a mentor and in leadership roles within Campus Connections.