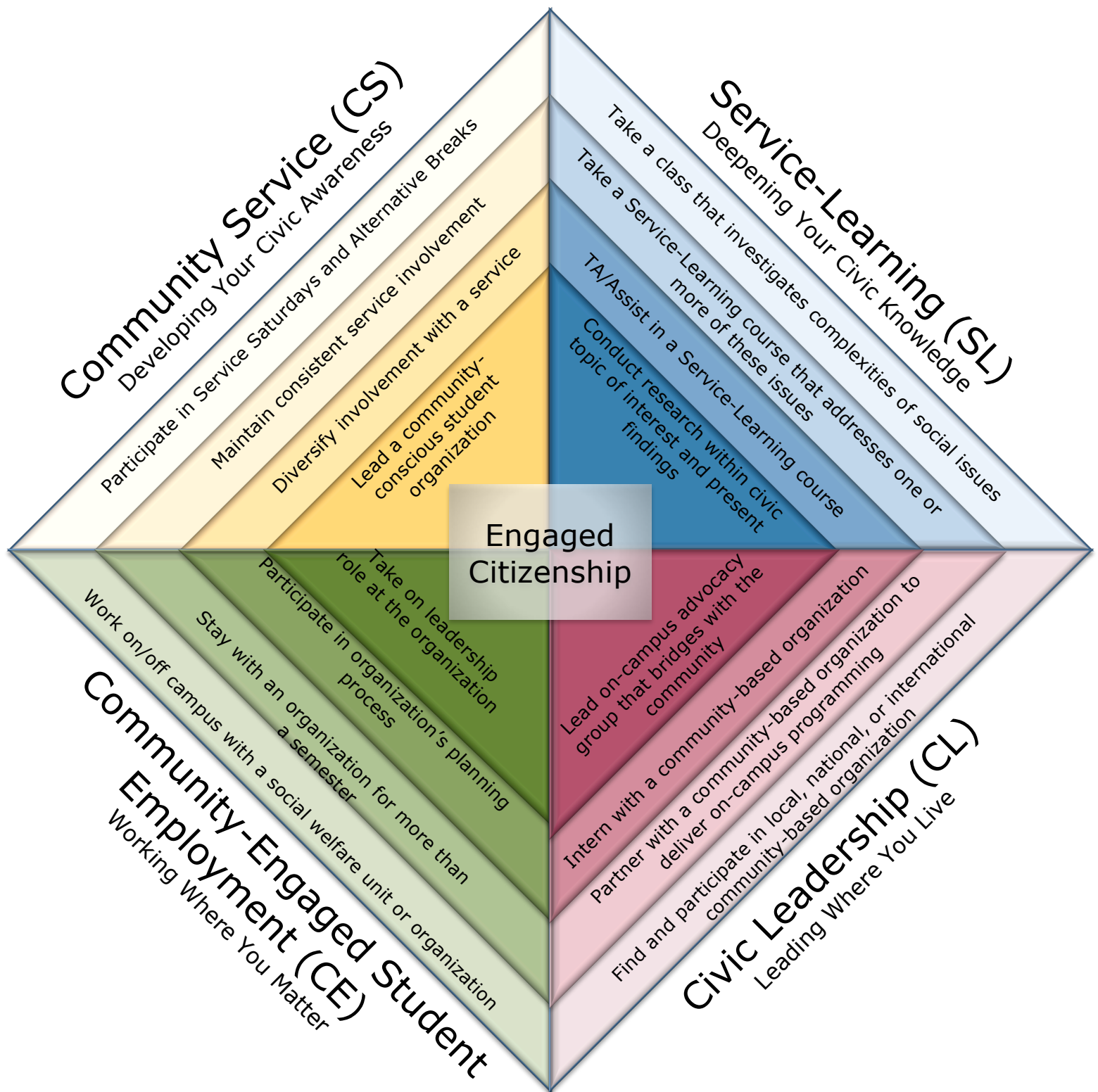


Pyramid of Civic Engagement: Steps toward *Engaged Citizenship*



Steps toward *Engaged Citizenship*

CE	Take on a leadership role at a community-based organization	Senior
CL	Lead an on-campus advocacy group that bridges with the community	Senior
SL	Conduct research within civic topic of interest and present findings	Senior
CS	Lead a community-conscious student organization	Senior
CE	Participate in a community organization's planning process	Junior
CL	Intern with a community-based organization	Junior
SL	TA/Assist in a Service-Learning course	Junior
CS	Diversify involvement with a service placement	Junior
CE	Work with a community organization for more than a semester	Sophomore
CL	Partner with community organization to deliver campus programming	Sophomore
SL	Take a Service-Learning course that addresses a complex social issue	Sophomore
CS	Maintain consistent service involvement	Sophomore
CE	Work on/off campus with a social welfare unit or organization	First Year
CL	Find and participate in a community-based organization	First Year
SL	Take a class that investigates the complexities of social issues	First Year
CS	Participate in Service Saturdays and Alternative Breaks	First Year

CE	=	Community-Engaged Student Employment opportunities
CL	=	Civic Leadership opportunities
SL	=	Service-Learning opportunities
CS	=	Community Service opportunities

Key attributes of an Engaged Citizen

Engaged citizens:

- ✓ Participate in the community.
- ✓ Are empowered to play a part in the decisions and processes that affect them, particularly public policy and services.
- ✓ Have knowledge and understanding of political, social, and economic spheres in their society, so that they can make informed decisions.
- ✓ Challenge policies or actions and existing structures on principles such as equality, inclusiveness, diversity, and social justice.
- ✓ Demonstrate their voice by voting!

Skill sets of an Engaged Citizen

Engaged citizens have the ability to:

- ★ Obtain and process information
- ★ Verbally communicate with persons inside and outside their organization
- ★ Work in a team structure
- ★ Plan, organize, and prioritize work
- ★ Make decisions and solve problems

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