LEADERSHIP AND SERVICE

Concordia encourages all students to develop the skills to be effective leaders and a commitment to service. The mission of the college, "to influence the affairs of the world …" requires that we exercise leadership. At Concordia, leadership and service complement each other; leadership is not power-oriented or positional; rather, it reflects a commitment to service and values such as justice, compassion, vision and diversity. We believe that every person has the potential to lead, and opportunities exist on campus to help build each person's capacity to be a leader through service.

The **Office of Student Engagement** assists individuals and organizations in understanding the nature and responsibilities of leadership by challenging students to be involved as leaders and providing leadership development opportunities such as workshops and retreats. Student leaders are seen in varied roles across campus including Student Government, commissions, student clubs and organizations, committees, and leading large campus events such as Orientation and Homecoming. Many of these leadership roles are paid, integrative learning experiences that come with supportive mentoring and coaching.

The mission of Student Engagement is to facilitate and support leadership and involvement opportunities for all students, leading to academic and personal growth and a further commitment to influencing global and local communities. In addition, the office is committed to cultivating an inclusive community for all students, and provides training and resources on diverse, equitable, and inclusive leadership practices.