



Personal Changemaking

Personal Changemaking is a process (often facilitated by a faculty) to explore their own selves. It focuses on actions that each person can control and choose to advance the common good. Personal Changemaking helps us confront and challenge ourselves, explore our identities, and work to be change agents that value diverse perspectives and new experiences.

Examples:

- Learning about and choosing to recycle/compost
- Focusing on building a mindful practice such as meditation, contemplation, or a moment of focus on your breath
- Engaging in dialogue with others different from you that allows you to step outside of your comfort zone

Local Changemaking

Practicing Local Changemaking focuses on the collective of our St. Thomas community, both on campus and in the Twin Cities & greater Minnesota. It aims to develop sustainable, collective solutions to social and environmental problems.

Examples:

- Volunteering regularly with a local non-profit, school, or government organization
- Engaging in dialogue with community to identify needs
- Identifying and working collaboratively to address university structures and processes that contribute to injustice

National Changemaking

Practicing National Changemaking involves civic engagement in the local and government of our nation. It involves forming relationships with elected officials, participating in public dialogue, and

Examples:

- Registering to vote
- Participating in elections (local/national)
- Participating in advocacy
- Calling an elected official
- Writing to an elected official
- Meeting with an elected official
- Participating in a caucus

Global Changemaking

Global Changemaking connects us with the needs and realities of the world. It recognizes that many personal, local, and national challenges are also experienced by others around the world and that solutions can be scaled and shared across borders. Global Changemaking often focuses us on partnerships and interconnected and interdependent world, allowing for understanding that our world is one.

Examples:

- Bringing awareness of global issues to the St. Thomas Community
- Volunteering with an ethical locally minded non-profit or government organization abroad