

## Tips and Tricks From Our Fellow Alumni

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*Created for students.*

The **CEEP Alumni Association** connects past Fellows and current Fellows with one another to create a civic engagement community. We talked to some of our recent alumni to hear what they had to say about the fellowship and what advice they'd like to pass down to current Fellows. Check out these tips and tricks!

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### **Aileen Assuma '16, West Chester University of Pennsylvania**

**Work toward getting as much of your campus involved as you can.** Collaboration can create a positive experience and a sense of community. Encouraging young people to participate in the political process starts locally, and educating each other on how local politics affect us shows how we can make changes within our communities.

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### **Diego Moreno '18, Miami Dade College**

**Maintain a positive, confident and bipartisan attitude when having conversations.** We can encourage young people to participate in the political process by making them aware that policies being decided have long-term effects on their lives. We must encourage students to have an optimistic view of politics and expose them to the everyday consequences that voting, or the lack thereof, has on us.

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## Monica Huan '18, Middle Tennessee State University

**Be creative, but don't overthink it.** Think of ways to meet students where they are. My goal for the semester was to have voter registration available to students every day. Although I could not physically table every day, we had voter registration 'buttons' installed on most of our academic webpages and on our class registration website.

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## Paola Gonzalez '20, Dalton State College

**Don't be afraid to reach out** to existing organizations with the same motives! Be flexible, especially at this time. There are several places to pull ideas from and make them your own! **And** be sure to stay in contact with your group and CEEP State Director. They **will** help you.

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## Hieu Le '18, University of Las Vegas Nevada

**Our choices as students matter just as much as anyone else's.** Stay engaged not just through voting, but through campus activities, organizations and your peer groups. This will help you stay motivated in spreading the voting word. We can always encourage younger people to participate in the political process by showing them changes through voting, how fun it is to join others in voting and how rewarding voting can be.

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## Geyris Batista '20, Florida International University

**Be confident in yourself.** People are more likely to listen to what you're saying if you're confident. Some people may not want to register to vote, so don't be pushy. But some people just don't know enough about voting, so educate people first then make your ask. Lastly, make sure you enjoy yourself!

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