THE PRACTICAL SKILLS OF ENGAGED CITIZENSHIP
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Political Knowledge and Critical Thinking Skills

Knowledge of political systems and analysis of how they work

Communication Skills

Written and oral skills to make an argument, articulate a position

Public Problem Solving

Ability to work with others to accomplish a task
Ability to identify root problems and systemic solutions

Civic Judgment

Applying publicly defendable moral standards to actual community life

Civic imagination and Creativity

Capacity to walk in another person’s circumstances
Capacity to imagine dramatic change, envision a better future
Harnessing the arts and humanities for public problem solving

Collective Action

Learning to take action, individually and communally

Community/Coalition Building

Finding commonalities within difference to get things done

Organizational Analysis

Understanding institutions and why they matter