

ADVOCACY

STANDING UP FOR WHAT YOU BELIEVE IN, IN ORDER TO MAKE A CHANGE

Types of advocacy

- Self-advocacy: standing up for yourself
- Peer-advocacy: standing up for someone who is going through something that you've already been through
- Crisis advocacy: helping someone who can't pay you back in time of need

Acts of advocacy on SC's campus

- 1 in 4 Group speaks up for 1 in 4 women who get sexually assaulted on campus
- 1st Class advocates for helping student understand their assignments
- Green Team: advocates for a greener campus
- Chapel advocates for a spiritual life on campus

How can your organization/team get more involved in advocacy?

Educate. Inform your organization/team about the current policies and problems affecting your community.

Evaluate. Evaluate your organization/team's mission and goals, and examine whether current programs involve advocacy as a means to address problems or grievances in the community. If not, how could advocacy play a larger role in your organization/team's programs?

Collaborate. Work in coalitions with groups whose philosophy and goals resonate with yours. Together, pooling staff and resources, all parties involved in the coalition should be better equipped to take on campaigns and work for change.