

Outreach at Northeastern State University-Muskogee consist of on campus hosted events and activities and off-campus collaborations. NSU-Muskogee opened its present campus in the spring of 1993 with the construction of the now Administration building. This construction was funded by a City of Muskogee sales tax. In the fall of 2001 the Mike Synar Center was added to the campus. This facility was built using both private donations and state monies to honor long-time US Congressman and Muskogee native, Mike Synar.

Because of the close relationship between NSU and the City of Muskogee, the Muskogee campus has hosted numerous community and regional conferences. Dr. Tim McElroy, campus Dean since 1999, and other staff members have embraced NSU-Muskogee's commitment to collaboration by serving on various boards and local committees.

For example, Dr. McElroy has served as chair and board member of the Eastern Oklahoma District Library System; president of the Muskogee Noon Lions Club; president of the Muskogee Area Educational Consortium; chair and board member for the Greater Muskogee Area Chamber of Commerce board of directors; board member of the local Salvation Army; board member for Habitat for Humanity of Muskogee; board member for Muskogee Development and board member for the Eastern Workforce Investment Board. He also serves on the local advisory council for Junior Achievement.

Another facet which serves to enhance the presence of NSU within the Muskogee community is the many partnerships that we maintain and support. Listed below are specific partnerships which represent the varied groups and organizations that we serve.

COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS

ON-CAMPUS

Educational Partnerships

- Connors State College Partnership
 - Perhaps the most significant partnership for NSU-Muskogee is the decision to share a campus with Connors State College, a local community college. The CSC associate degree nursing program moved into the Mike Synar Center in January of 2010 and the remainder of the CSC downtown operation will move to the NSU facility in fall of 2011 or as soon as a new building is completed.
- Gear Up – Multiple Training Seminars Held July 2004 – 2010, Average 200 people per year
- Muskogee County Head Start – July 2005–2010, Average 150 people per year
- Muskogee Phoenix Academic All Stars Banquet – March 2001– 2003, Average 150 people per year
- Oklahoma Association of Collegiate Registrars and Admissions Officers State Conference – September 13, 2002, 60 people
- Oklahoma University Center for Public Management – 2007–2010, Average 500 people per year
- Oklahoma University National Resource Center for Youth Services – 2001–2007, Average 300 people per year
- Reach Higher Oklahoma’s Degree Completion Program State Conference – September 26, 2008, 75 people
- Scottish Rite – Speech Pathology Lab
 - NSU-Muskogee with the support of the McAlester Scottish Rite organization offers the Rite Care Speech Pathology clinic for clients in the Muskogee area. This allow NSU students to work in a clinical setting with children in need of speech path services.

Political Partnerships

- Congressman Boren's African American Business & Leadership Summit - February 26, 2007, 100 people
- Congressman Boren's Youth Leadership Conference – July 16, 2005, 100 people
- Mike Synar Barbeque August 17, 2002 and October 25, 2003, Average 300 people per year
- Second Congressional District Artistic Discovery Awards April 2000–2010, Average 50 people each year
- Senator Coburn Town Hall Meeting – August 13, 2009, 300 people

Chamber of Commerce Partnerships

- Mayor's "State of the City" Address – September 2000–2004, Average 150 people per year

Healthcare Partnerships

- American Heart Association Stroke Symposium – February 28, 2003, 100 people
- Muskogee Regional Medical Center Bio-Terrorism Conference – November 16, 2001, 100 people
- Muskogee Regional Medical Center Pediatric Symposium – April 2002–2004, Average 100 people each year

Community Service Partnerships

- Leadership Oklahoma – Muskogee Session – March 7, 2009 and November 7, 2009, 65 people at each session
- Muskogee Association of Human Resource Administrators- Employment Law Seminar – November 2002–2010, Average 50 people per year
- Muskogee Emergency Management Weather Seminar – February 2002–2005, Average 75 people per year
- Oklahoma Historical Society State Conference – April 2005, 300 people
- Tribal Leaders Summit – February 15, 2002, 40 people
- United Way Banquet – 2005–2008, Average 100 people per year

OFF-CAMPUS

Educational Partnerships

- Eastern Oklahoma District Library System- Partner
- Muskogee Area Education Consortium

Chamber of Commerce Partnerships

- Chamber Youth Leadership
- Magic Holiday Giveaway
- Muskogee Chamber of Commerce
- Success Expo- Muskogee Chamber of Commerce Business Expo – May 2000 - 2010
- Women’s Leadership Conference

Healthcare Partnerships

- Eastern Oklahoma Healthcare Coalition

Workforce Partnerships

- Eastern Workforce “EleVate Career Summit-Youth 2010”
- Eastern Workforce Investment Board – Partner
- Muskogee Development Corporation

Community Service Partnerships

- Chili Cookoff
- Chocolate Festival – Habitat for Humanity
- Downtown Muskogee Inc.

Conference Center Partnerships

- Leadership Muskogee
- Muskogee Heart Walk
- Relay for Life