



Arrupe Partnerships for Community-based Learning

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ALMA SENIOR CENTER

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Organizational Profile

Alma Senior Center is a program of the City of San Jose. At the Center, seniors gather for group activities and the nutrition program. The Center serves 60-90 seniors Monday to Friday in the hot meal lunch program. Participants live independently at home and are from 60-97 years old.

The Center is located south of downtown San Jose, in an area populated largely by the working poor. Participants, however, are not required to live within the neighborhood to participate in the Center's program. The Center serves a large Hispanic population.

SCU Student's Role

Students who choose this placement will be greeting seniors as they arrive to the center, having conversations in either English or Spanish and serving food in the nutrition program. The ability to speak **Spanish would be useful** for this placement. Students who choose this placement must be comfortable with initiating conversation with seniors.

To Do Before Orientation

- Read your course syllabus and be prepared to discuss your learning goals with your placement supervisor at orientation.