

# FSU Campus Recreation

## FSU CHALLENGE

### ***The Challenge of Civility***

The Florida State University, along with other universities across the country, is placing an increased emphasis on **CIVILITY**. Recently, FSU issued a Civility Statement and started an “Uphold the Garnet & Gold” campaign. The Civility Statement reads as follows:

*The Florida State University is a diverse community with a longstanding tradition of respect for the dignity and worth of each person. We recognize the importance of disagreement and informed debate for a dynamic learning environment, we also expect each member of our community to embrace the values of civility and ethical conduct and share in the responsibility to promote these values. Uphold the Garnet and Gold by demonstrating respect for ourselves and others, taking responsibility for yourself and those around you, and reflecting the values of Florida State.*

From this important initiative, we have created a workshop that utilizes activities that promote reflection of the foundational values of FSU. By taking part in this program, participants can expect to go through events that inspire the desire to overcome preconceived ideas about one’s self and others. Through group activities and personal reflection, your group will garner a deeper respect for each other while also developing a greater understanding of what it means to take responsibility for themselves, their group members, and their environment.

There are those that label civility as “the art of knowing how to disagree without being disagreeable.” Through activities that provide the opportunity for differing viewpoints and thought processes, your group will be able to work through a process of “agreeing to disagree” and arrive at the best possible solution. After each activity, our trained facilitators will guide your group through a discussion on the process it went through and how we could streamline and improve for the future. Take advantage of this program to stay current with the initiative of The Florida State University and the needs of today’s society.