

Addressing Wicked Problems in Practical Ways: Empowering Ethical Action in Higher Ed and Beyond

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Session Outcomes:

- Participants will be able to identify areas related to social responsibility
- Participants will develop an understanding of how to best approach systemic issues and take concrete action in collaboration with key allies

Wicked Problems Defined:

- "Wicked issues are different because traditional processes can't resolve them" and have "innumerable causes, [are] tough to describe, and [don't] have a right answer..." (Camillus, 2008).

What are some examples of Wicked Problems on your campus or in your discipline? Have you seen them addressed in the past? If so, in what ways were they approached?

In small groups, select one person's Wicked Problem to explore. Work together to identify key allies, and determine concrete action steps for forward motion.

Problem	Key Stakeholders or Partners	Action Steps

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