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## Quick Facts

- Alexis Clowney, a junior from Spartanburg, S.C., was recently named by Campus Compact to the 2012 Class of Newman Civic Fellows.
- Clowney created SCOPE: Students Challenging Others to Promote Education, a successful student-led tutoring program that develops reading and math skills of low-income, high-need children.



Alexis Clowney

ROCK HILL, S.C. – Winthrop University [special education](#) major Alexis Clowney, a junior from Spartanburg, S.C., was recently named by [Campus Compact](#) to the 2012 Class of Newman Civic Fellows.

Campus Compact's member colleges and university presidents from across the country nominated 162 college student leaders for the **2012 Class of Newman Civic Fellows**, an honor named for **Frank Newman**, a founder of Campus Compact. These students are demonstrating a personal commitment to creating lasting change for the better in their communities. Through service, community-based research, and advocacy, the 2012 Class of Newman Civic Fellows are making the most of their college experiences to better understand themselves and the root causes of some of the most pressing social issues that challenge us all.

Clowney demonstrates the type of civic engagement that sets an example for others. Clowney is a passionate advocate for children in poverty. This passion led her to create **SCOPE: Students Challenging Others to Promote Education**, a successful student-led tutoring program that develops reading and math skills of low-income, high-need children. Clowney also serves as student coordinator for the **Ebenezer Avenue Leadership Academy** where she teaches leadership exploration and practice to 26 middle school youth.

"It's an honor to know that other people can see the passion that you have for helping others," said Clowney.

As a **Newman Civic Fellow**, Clowney will join a network of Fellows around the country. Together — sharing ideas and tools through online networking — the Fellows will leverage an even greater capacity for service and change, and will continue to set examples for their classmates and others.

"These students represent the next generation of public problem solvers and civic leaders. They serve as national examples of the role that higher education can —and does—play in building a better world," noted **Campus Compact Board Chair James B. Dworkin**, chancellor at Purdue University North Central.

**Campus Compact** is a national coalition of almost 1,200 college and university presidents—representing more than 6 million students—who are committed to fulfilling the civic purposes of higher education.

The [S.C. Campus Compact](#) is part of the national organization and includes two-year and four-year, public and private higher education institutions throughout the state. The S.C. Campus Compact is located at Winthrop. [Winthrop President Anthony DiGiorgio](#) is chair of the Presidents' Council of S.C. Campus Compact.

For more information about the organization and the award, visit [www.compact.org](http://www.compact.org).

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