

**CIVIC THOUGHT AND  
LEADERSHIP INITIATIVE**

2021 GENERAL SESSION

STATE OF UTAH

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**LONG TITLE**

**General Description:**

This bill requires Utah Valley University to establish the Civic Thought and Leadership Initiative.

**Highlighted Provisions:**

This bill:

- defines terms; and
- requires Utah Valley University to establish the Civic Thought and Leadership Initiative.

**Money Appropriated in this Bill:**

This bill appropriates in fiscal year 2022:

- to Utah Valley University -- Civic Thought and Leadership Initiative -- Civic Thought and Leadership Initiative, as a one-time appropriation:
  - from Education Fund, One-time, \$1,000,000.

**Other Special Clauses:**

None

28 Utah Code Sections Affected:

29 ENACTS:

30 [53B-29-301](#), Utah Code Annotated 1953

31 [53B-29-302](#), Utah Code Annotated 1953

32 [53B-29-303](#), Utah Code Annotated 1953



34 *Be it enacted by the Legislature of the state of Utah:*

35 Section 1. Section **53B-29-301** is enacted to read:

36 **Part 3. Civic Thought and Leadership Initiative**

37 **53B-29-301. Definitions.**

38 As used in this part:

39 (1) "Initiative" means the Civic Thought and Leadership Initiative described in Section  
40 [53B-29-302](#).

41 (2) "University" means Utah Valley University.

42 Section 2. Section **53B-29-302** is enacted to read:

43 **53B-29-302. Civic Thought and Leadership Initiative.**

44 (1) The university shall establish the Civic Thought and Leadership Initiative within  
45 the Center for Constitutional Studies to facilitate nonpartisan political discussion and provide  
46 civic education and research.

47 (2) The initiative shall:

48 (a) provide courses in and related to philosophy, history, economics, and political  
49 science;

50 (b) provide resources to students, outside academic institutions, government agencies,  
51 and other persons regarding civic affairs; and

52 (c) foster thoughtful civic engagement in Utah and the surrounding region.

53 Section 3. Section **53B-29-303** is enacted to read:

54 **53B-29-303. Acceptance of gifts.**

55 The university is authorized to receive gifts, contributions, and donations of all kinds,

