

Product Comparison

We often get the question: “What’s the difference between NobleHour and Collaboratory?” While the products have similar goals, there are many distinctions between the two. We have broken them down in the table below.

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Product Comparison	NobleHour promotes community engagement and builds community partnerships. It offers a suite of tools for tracking and measuring service-learning, volunteering, and community service initiatives.	Collaboratory empowers higher education institutions to document and understand the full scope of their community engagement and public service activities.
Core Features	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Opportunity posting and joining • Hour tracking • Hour verification and approval • Impact measurement • Reports 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Identifies all institutional community engagement and public service • Collects data about faculty/staff teaching research and service • Individual faculty/staff profiles and activity summaries
Users	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Students and volunteers use NobleHour to find opportunities and track hours • Community organizations and partners can post volunteer opportunities, organize volunteers in groups, manage users, and generate related reports • Administrators can track and verify student volunteer and service learning time. They can export reports on their organization’s community impact 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community-engaged faculty and staff submit activity details and create individual profiles for promotion and tenure • Administrators utilize data and reports to show institution-wide engagement and to improve practice • Students can engage on behalf of faculty/staff instructors or advisors • Community members can search a university’s interactive website

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How will community partners benefit?	They will gain exposure and find qualified, willing volunteers and interns to assist with organization's needs. They can verify volunteers' hours and access volunteer signups quickly.	Institutional partnerships can be shared with donors, funders, media, etc. to improve activities over time.
Pricing	Pricing plans are based on organization size, and number of admins needed.	Based on institution size. License discount for 2-or 3-year contracts.
Implementation Timeline	<p>Within 1-2 calls with an Account Manager*, product will be ready. Bi-monthly webinars are also free for administrators to learn more.</p> <p><i>*Longer for organizations wanting Single Sign-On.</i></p>	<p>The process usually takes a few months, dependent on institution-wide buy-in from multiple stakeholders (CE, IT, leadership, etc.). Multiple onboarding calls with core administrator and co-administrators promote a deep understanding of strategy/purpose behind Collaboratory and data.</p> <p>Implementation Guide to lead through setup and launch.</p>
Both products	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cloud-based • Single Sign-On access available • Data is stored on the Cloud via Amazon Web Services • TTC manages the institutional data, owned by the institution • Highest level of internet security - and the certifications to prove it 	