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Announcements

U of M Office for Public Engagement Seeks Nominations for Outstanding Community Service Awards
The Office for Public Engagement is accepting nominations for the 2014 Outstanding Community Service Awards which recognize faculty, staff, students, and University-affiliated community members who have made extraordinary, significant contributions to the betterment of society through research, teaching, or public service.

U of M Office for Public Engagement Engaged Scholar Spring Workshops
The Office for Public Engagement's Engaged Scholar Workshops are designed to help University faculty take advantage of the benefits of publicly-engaged scholarship. Launched last fall, the year-long series addresses strategies for teaching and research through discussions with experienced community engaged scholars, presentations of best practices, and activities to help scholars to apply best practices to their own work. Spring semester's workshops feature three stand-alone sessions designed to offer help with graduate student advising, measurement of service learning impact and dissemination of research findings. The first, Advising Graduate Students on Engaged Scholarship, addresses common challenges graduate students face in their publicly-engaged work.

U of M MLK Community Service Pledge Drive
The University's MLK Community Service Pledge Drive honors the legacy of Martin Luther King, Jr. through the commitment of faculty, staff, students and retirees to pledge and conduct community service during the spring semester.

Events

- Feb. 27 U of M Engaging Pedagogies: Troubleshooting Community Partnerships
- Feb. 27-March 2 IMPACT Conference
April 11  U of M Internationalizing the Curriculum and Campus Conference
April 11  U of M 2014 Sustainability Symposium
April 12,13  Global Health and Innovation Conference
April 16  Minnesota Campus Compact 20th Anniversary Summit and Awards
April 17  U of M Engaging Pedagogies: Critical Community Engagement
May 12-16  Connecting Campuses with Communities Conference
May 14  Food and Agriculture National Conference
May 21, 22  U of M Center for Transportation Studies Transportation Research Conference
June 12, 13  Upper Midwest Civic Engagement Summit
June 12-14  NASPA Civic Learning and Democratic Engagement Conference
July 11, 12  "What Went Wrong?": Reflecting and Learning from Community-Engaged Research
Oct. 7, 8  15th Annual Conference of the Engagement Scholarship Consortium

Featured Resource

Transforming Cities and Minds through the Scholarship of Engagement: Economy, Equity, and Environment
Written by engaged scholars and practitioners at Vanderbilt University, this book focuses on U.S. cities and advocates campus-city partnerships as an "instrument for action" in solving various problems facing urban populations.

Awards/Grants

Howard G. Buffett Foundation/U of W-Madison Agricultural Innovation Prize (Deadline: Feb. 28, 2014) Sponsored by the Howard G. Buffett Foundation and University of Wisconsin-Madison, this competition is open to U.S. undergraduate and graduate students across all academic disciplines involved in the development of solutions to social and agricultural challenges within the world's food systems.

U of M CURA Dissertation Research Grant (Deadline: March 10, 2014) The University's Center for Urban and Regional Affairs Dissertation Research Grant provides support to doctoral students engaged in dissertation research on urban issues.

U of M CURA Faculty Interactive Research Program  (Deadline: March 10, 2014) The University's Center for Urban and Regional Affairs invites proposals for its 2014-15 Faculty Interactive Research Program. The program is designed to encourage University faculty members to carry out research projects that involve a significant urban-related public policy issue for the state or its communities.

U of M MnDRIVE Transdisciplinary Research Program  (Deadline: March 14, 2014) The University's Office of the Vice President for Research will award approximately ten two-year grants of up to $500,000 each for transdisciplinary projects that pursue the challenges outlined in MnDRIVE legislation. Funded research will include projects from basic and applied sciences, the arts, humanities, business, and policy areas that will have a positive and sustaining impact on Minnesota's economy, environment, and residents.

U of M Institute on the Environment, Spring 2014 Discovery Grants  (Deadline: March 21, 2014)
U of M President’s Community Engaged Scholar Award (Deadline: March 28, 2014)
This annual award recognizes one University faculty member or one academic professional and administrative employee for exemplary community-engaged scholarship in his or her field of inquiry.

U of M Outstanding Community Service Awards (Deadline: April 4, 2014)
These annual awards recognize faculty, staff, students, and University of Minnesota-affiliated community members who have made extraordinary, significant contributions to the betterment of society through research, teaching, or public service.

U of M Healthy Foods, Healthy Lives Institute Faculty and Graduate/Professional Student Research Grant Programs (Deadline: April 14, 2014)
Proposals are invited from interdisciplinary faculty research teams working to produce high impact research in the areas of food protection, prevention of obesity and diet-related disease, and/or food policy. Proposals are also invited from graduate and professional students to fund research and/or other activities related to broadening interdisciplinary learning in the areas of food, agriculture, and human health and that seek to establish cross-disciplinary learning and engagement.

U of M Healthy Foods, Healthy Lives Institute Planning Grant Program for Community-University Partnerships (Deadline: April 21, 2014)
This program is designed to provide seed funding for the development of promising, authentic community-University research partnerships related to food, nutrition, and health.

U of M Clinical and Translational Science Institute Mini Pilot Award (Deadline: Ongoing)
This program aims to assist University faculty in developing preliminary data for promising and innovative research projects.

Call for Papers/Proposals

Call for Papers: Healthy, Resilient Communities (Deadline: Feb. 28, 2014)
Volunteer Canada, Canadian Alliance for Community Service-Learning, Algonquin College, and Community First host this annual community service-learning conference which explores the contributions of community campus partnerships in support of resilient communities.

Call for Papers: Journal of Service-Learning and Civic Engagement (Deadline: March 15, 2014)
Editors of the Journal of Service-Learning and Civic Engagement are publishing a special issue in 2015 with guest editors Brandon Kliewer, Florida Gulf Coast University and Judith Ramaley, President Emerita, at Portland State University and Winona State University.

Call for Proposals: Engagement Scholarship Consortium 2014 Conference (Deadline: March 17, 2014)
The 2014 meeting of the Engagement Scholarship Consortium will explore the theme “Engaging for Change: Changing for Engagement.” Proposals are sought for presentations, posters, and other forms of communication that will information or advance research on, and the practice of, engaged scholarship and community-university partnerships through means of research findings, innovative program design and partnership models, proven community/institutional impacts, effective curriculum or service-learning models, collaborative policy development and integration, or successful civic engagement practices.
This Twin Cities-based conference will provide a space for those working for social justice to come together in dialogue about what it means for communities and universities to practice engaged research that is reflexive, questions power dynamics, and works toward shifts in practice.

**Call for Papers: Family and Community Health Community-Based Participatory Research** *(Deadline: April 1, 2014)*
This edition of Family and Community Health will highlight family and community health-related community-based participatory action research projects focused specifically on youth as partners in the research process.

**Call for Journal Manuscripts: International Journal of Research on Service-Learning and Community Engagement** *(Deadline: May 15, 2014)*
The International Journal of Research on Service-Learning and Community Engagement is a peer-reviewed online journal dedicated to the publication of research focused on service-learning, campus-community engagement, and the promotion of active and effective citizenship through education.

**Call for Papers: International Undergraduate Journal for Service-Learning, Leadership, and Social Change** *(Deadline: Ongoing)*
The International Undergraduate Journal for Service-Learning, Leadership, and Social Change is accepting articles from undergraduate students on the development of service-learning projects and their impact on the community, case studies on service-learning projects, and reflections on service-learning and leadership.

**Call for Papers: eJournal of Public Affairs on Public Scholarship** *(Deadline: Ongoing)*
This journal is focused on scholarship related to engagement in the public arena and, in particular, on considerations of citizenship, scholarship of teaching and learning, assessment of civic-engagement projects, and relationships between engagement and social media.

**Call for Papers: The Journal of Higher Education Outreach and Engagement** *(Deadline: Ongoing)*
This journal highlights innovative endeavors, critically examines emerging issues, trends, challenges and opportunities, and reports on the studies of impact in the areas of public service, outreach, engaged research, community-based participatory research, action research, public scholarship, service-learning, and community-service.

**Opportunities**

**U of M Center for Urban and Regional Affairs Offers Summer Research Programs**
The University's Center for Urban and Regional Affairs seeks proposals for the Kris Nelson Community Based Research Program and the Community Assistantship Program. These programs provide applied research assistance to community-based groups. These community research projects typically place students in part-time research assistantships for one semester or over the summer.

**U of M Institute on the Environment Boreas Leadership Program Workshop Open for Registration**
The Boreas Leadership Program trains and develops the next generation of world changers to catalyze social and environmental solutions. Boreas offers co-curricular leadership development opportunities that build on the strengths of graduate education to create effective change agents.

**International Journal of Research on Service-Learning and Community Engagement**
Journal of Community Engagement and Scholarship (JCES) Seeks Book Reviews

The Journal of Community Engagement and Scholarship (JCES) is seeking book reviews for upcoming journals that focus on recent or foundational publications relevant to the scholarship of engagement. The journal is especially interested in books within education, the social and natural sciences, medicine, the arts and humanities, communication, and business.

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