June 2017

Engagement Spotlight

U of M Extension partners with Ka Joog to open doors for Somali youth
University of Minnesota Extension Urban 4-H program has partnered with Somali youth organization Ka Joog to provide positive opportunities for Somali-American and other East African youth. Ka Joog tailors its programming toward enriching the lives of Somali-American youth with education, mentoring, employment opportunities, and the arts. Extension's 4-H experience complements the program to develop life skills like confidence, independence, resilience, and compassion.

Announcements

UMD announces Joel Labovitz Entrepreneurial Success Awards
Six regional entrepreneurs were recently honored at the University of Minnesota Duluth's Center for Economic Development's annual Joel Labovitz Entrepreneurial Success Awards. Winners include a restaurateur, wood worker, discount retailer, distillery owner, and two farmers.

U of M IonE director receives climate adaptation leadership award
The University's Institute on the Environment Director Jessica Hellman is one of eight recipients of the National Adaption Forum's Climate Adaptation Leadership Awards for Natural Resources. A leading ecologist studying the impacts of climate change, Hellmann was recognized for her role in proposing and critiquing new management techniques for climate change.

U of M Libraries awarded 2017 National Medal of Service
University Libraries is one of ten recipients of the 2017 National Medal for Museum and Library Service, the nation's highest honor given to museums and libraries for service to the community.
2017 Communities of Practice sessions (Deadline: September 8, 2017)
Minnesota Campus Compact and the University's Office for Public Engagement will offer Communities of Practice sessions on themes including equity and empowerment, developing community engagement practices, promoting understanding and listening through storytelling, examining the scholarship of engagement, and reflective practices.

UMD offers new certificate program for tribal leaders
The University of Minnesota Duluth has received a $110,000 grant to train newly elected and appointed tribal leaders and administrators through a new certificate program. Participants will develop a capstone project and present on emerging research on the best practices in tribal administration and applied tribal sovereignty.

U of M Events

- June 6-8 Rural Arts and Culture Summit
- June 8,9 Symposium on the Ethics of Help: Creating Global Ambassadors for Patient Safety
- June 19-21 Engaging Young Leaders Training
- June 20,21 Educational Equity in Action
- June 28-30 Mindfulness In Education Summer Institute
- Sept. 18-20 Second Annual Conference on Native American Nutrition
- Oct 12,13 Student Engagement: Connection to School, Motivation to Learn
- Oct. 17,18 Minnesota Water Resources Conference
- Oct. 25-27 2017 Food Access Summit

Other Events

- June 7-10 Civic Learning and Democratic Engagement Meeting
- June 12 Ripple Effects Mapping Workshop
- June 20 MNCC Summer Regional Gathering-Rochester
- June 22 MNCC Summer Regional Gathering-Mankato
- June 29-30 Advancing Community Driven Global Service-Learning
- July 30-Aug. 2 Soil and Water Conservation Society Annual Conference
- Aug. 9-10 Secondary Math Teachers and Social Justice
- Sept. 15-16 Dialogue in Divided Societies
- Sept. 26-27 Engagement Scholarship Consortium Conference
- Oct. 8-11 Coalition of Urban and Metropolitan Universities Conference
- Oct. 12-13 Student Engagement Conference
- Oct. 13 Communities of Practice Launch
- March 25-28 2018 Campus Compact National Conference
Featured Resource

**U of M IonE’s Environment Reports: Food Matters**

The University's Institute on the Environment offers resources for public and private sector professionals, as well as University faculty who influence or educate environmental decision makers. IonE's Environment Reports: Food Matters features offers a global look at contemporary agricultural practices.

Call for Grant Applications

**U of M Program in Health Disparities Research grants** *(Deadline: Ongoing)*

The University's Program in Health Disparities Research offers funding opportunities for students, community members, and researchers who are addressing health disparities among minority and other under-served populations.

Call for Papers/Conference Proposals

**Call for Proposals: Minnesota Campus Compact National Conference** *(Deadline: June 30, 2017)*

MNCC is seeking proposals for its 2018 National Conference, True Stories of Engagement: Higher Education for Democracy. Proposals for sessions should improve understanding of higher education’s role in advancing the public good and find creative ways to communicate about that role within and beyond college campuses.

**Call for Papers: North Carolina Campus Compact's Partnerships** *(Deadline: Ongoing)*

North Carolina Campus Compact’s Partnerships: A Journal of Service-Learning and Civic Engagement seeks articles that focus on how theories and practices can inform and improve partnerships between students, faculty, community agencies, administrators, disciplines, and more.

**Call for Submissions: Undergraduate Journal of Service Learning and Community-Based Research** *(Deadline: Ongoing)*

Pennsylvania State University's Undergraduate Journal of Service Learning and Community-Based Research seeks submissions that advance knowledge of service-learning and community-based research.

Opportunities

**Leadership Twin Cities accepting applications** *(Deadline: June 16, 2017)*

Offered by the Minneapolis Regional Area Chamber of Commerce, Leadership Twin Cities focuses on critical community issues to inform and inspire future leaders and challenges them to make a difference through personal commitment and involvement.
U of M Graduate School's Orientation and Resource Fair

The University's Graduate School seeks exhibitors for its 2017 Orientation Resource Fair set for Wednesday, September 6 at the McNamara Alumni Center.

U of M CBPR course free to community members

Sponsored by the University's School of Public Health, this Community-based Participatory Research course is free to community members.

U of M CIL seeks social science researcher

The University's Center for Integrative Leadership is seeking a social science researcher to join its Shared Leadership Lab initiative. The research associate's work will focus on designing, implementing, coordinating, and communicating the results of research for the lab.

One-to-one services for financially distressed farmers

University of Minnesota Extension will begin offering one-to-one financial counseling to farmers in serious financial stress. The new program offers distressed farmers help in understanding their financial situation and exploring options to keep their farms functioning as a viable enterprise.

YouLead: Leadership for you and your community program

University of Minnesota Extension's YouLead program runs from September 2017 to April 2018 and will be held in five Minnesota communities and in Washington, D.C. Participants will expand their leadership skills through discussions, site visits, speakers, active lessons, application of learning and reflection, and positive psychology practices.

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