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Engagement Spotlight

U of M researchers tackle opioid abuse in northern Minnesota

College of Pharmacy Assistant Professor Laura Palombi and a task force are using resources from a Clinical and Translational Science Institute Dissemination and Implementation Award to research best practices for combating heroin use in Minnesota's Carlton County and beyond.

Announcements

U of M Provost's Conversation Series Book Club

The Office for Public Engagement invites publicly-engaged staff, faculty, and students and their community partners to participate in book club-style conversations exploring ideas raised by authors Moustafa Bayomi, Cristina Henriquez, and Yaa Gyasi who will be spotlighted in this year's Provost's Conversation Series. For those participating in the Office for Public Engagement Book Club, books will be provided free of change in advance of each book-club event. Dates and more detail to be announced.

U of M Grand Challenges Research grants awarded

University of Minnesota Executive Vice President and Provost Karen Hanson has announced 29 Grand Challenges Research grants to advance the research goals of Driving Tomorrow, the TC Campus Strategic Plan. The Driving Tomorrow research investments total $3.6 million, including $1.48 million for 21 exploratory research grants and $2.15 million for eight collaborations shaped by interdisciplinary work groups.

U of M's Bruininks, community partner Gust honored by ACES

Former University of Minnesota President and Professor Emeritus Robert Bruininks and Minneapolis Community Activist Susan Gust have been inducted into the Academy of Community Engagement...
Scholarship (ACES). ACES provides expertise to policymakers, higher education institutions and organizations.

**IHR recognized with U of M system-wide award**

The University's Immigration History Research Center (IHR) has been awarded the University of Minnesota's 2016 Equity and Diversity Outstanding Unit Award, which honors transformational work that demonstrates outstanding leadership in equity and diversity and is collaborative, sustainable, and linked to the stated mission and vision of the group. The award will be presented at the Equity and Diversity Breakfast on November 17.

**U of M Events**

- Nov. 2-3 [Masonic Cancer Center Research Symposium](#)
- Nov. 3 [CTS 2016 Research Conference](#)
- Nov. 3 [CEHD: Dare to be Powerful](#)
- Nov. 7 [Dean's Distinguished Research Lectureship](#)
- Nov. 7 [Health Equity Work Group General Meeting](#)
- Nov. 8 [Graduate School Seminar Series](#)
- Nov. 10 [Local Voices: An Exploration of Identity through Digital Storytelling](#)
- Nov. 10 [Achieving Equality Through Culturally Responsive Teaching](#)
- Nov. 11 [Women Impacting Healthcare: Interprofessional Leadership Conference](#)
- Nov. 12 [Saturday Scholars: The Changing Nature of Work](#)
- Nov. 15 [Covering Immigration in an Election Year](#)
- Nov. 15 [Global Citizenship Starts with Your Neighbor: Strategies for Working with Youth](#)
- Nov. 15 [Global Health Day](#)
- Nov. 16 [Provost Conversation Series: Moustafa Bayoumi](#)
- Nov. 17 [Equity and Diversity Breakfast](#)
- Nov. 17 [Aurora Center 30th Anniversary Celebration](#)
- Nov. 18 [INDO-US Rare Disease Conference](#)
- Dec. 6 [Engaged Scholar Critical Community Engagement Roundtable](#)
- Jan. 10 [Engaged Scholar Critical Community Engagement Roundtable](#)
- Feb. 6 [Provost Conversation Series: Cristina Henriquez](#)
- Feb. 7 [Engaged Scholar Critical Community Engagement Roundtable](#)
- March 7 [Provost Conversation Series: Yaa Gyasi](#)
- March 7 [Engaged Scholar Critical Community Engagement Roundtable](#)
- March 28 [Provost Conversation Series: Nicholas Kristof](#)
- April 4 [Engaged Scholar Critical Community Engagement Roundtable](#)
- May 2 [Engaged Scholar Critical Community Engagement Roundtable](#)

**Other Events**
- Nov. 3-4 Many Faces of Community Health Conference
- Nov. 4 Great Decisions Conference
- Nov. 10-11 Anchor Institutions Task Force Conference
- Dec. 1-2 Second International Conference on Service-Learning
- Dec. 13 Emergent Emissary: Moving Beyond Service - A Community Engagement Model Webinar
- Dec. 15 Grow Our Own Summit
- Jan. 9-11 Seminar in Curriculum Development for International Service-Learning
- Jan. 25-28 AAC&U 2017 Annual Meeting
- Feb. 14 Building Institutional Capacity for Service Learning: The Engaged Faculty Institute Curriculum Webinar
- Feb. 24 Community Engagement Network Gathering
- March 7 Facing our Stories, Strengthening our Communities Webinar
- April 5 MNCC Annual Summit and Awards Ceremony
- May 15 Liberating Service Learning Webinar
- June 5-7 Midwest Campus Compact Conference

**Featured Resource**

*Journal of Community Engagement and Higher Education*

Published by Indiana State University, the Journal of Community Engagement and Higher Education provides readers with background and case studies in the field of community-engaged research and practice. The publication has established a review of literature on research and practice, while maintaining a forum for exchanging ideas about critical analysis of community engagement.

**Call for Grant Applications**

*NSF Improving Undergraduate STEM Education Grants* *(Deadline: November 2, 2016)*

The National Science Foundation (NSF) seeks proposals that address education and human resource problems in STEM education or that shed light on new challenges facing undergraduates. The program has two tracks: Engaged Student Learning and Institutional and Community Transformation.

*HFHL Community-University Partnership Grant Program* *(Deadline: November 18, 2016)*

The University's Healthy Food Healthy Lives (HFHL) Community-University Partnership Grant Program seeks to fund innovative community-university partnerships related to food, nutrition and health. Projects should include participatory action research or other creative strategies for addressing community-identified problems by bringing together academic and community partners.

*HFHL Faculty Planning Grant Program* *(Deadline: November 18, 2016)*

The University's Healthy Food Healthy Lives (HFHL) Faculty Planning Grant Program supports the development of University interdisciplinary and cross-disciplinary research teams related to food, nutrition, and health.
U of M Bell Museum's Resident Artist Research Project (Deadline: November 20, 2016)
The University's Bell Museum of Natural History seeks to fill four artist residencies that will take place between January 2017 and May 2018. Residencies are open to dynamic candidates of any artistic discipline, as well as artist collectives.

U of M Campus Climate Micro-Grants (Deadline: November 30, 2016)
University Campus Climate micro-grant funding is available for projects to advance campus climate. The theme is "building bridges" to encourage two or more groups to work collaboratively on projects.

Bringing Theory to Practice Project's Campus Dialog Grants (Deadline: Dec. 9, 2016)
Bringing Theory to Practice Project's Campus Dialog Grants provide support for one-year projects around thematically integrated gatherings or dialogues involving a core group of diverse campus constituents.

U of M IonE's Acara Challenge (Deadline: January 31, 2017)
The University's Institute on the Environment's Acara Challenge rewards student teams that are developing solutions to address global social and environmental challenges. Competition finalists receive mentorship, as well as support in refining their goals and creating a viable launch program.

Impact America's Stories from the Line film contest (Deadline: April 14, 2017)
Impact America's Stories from the Line contest seeks documentary film submissions about families struggling to stay above the poverty line from undergraduate students, graduate students, and recent graduates of accredited colleges. Winners will receive scholarships of up to $10,000.

NIH Community Partnerships to Advance Research Grants (Deadline: May 8, 2017)
The National Institutes of Health (NIH) seeks proposals that address community-engaged research methodologies that improve partnerships and enhance interdisciplinary relationships. Proposals should focus on methods for improvement of intervention and public health.

Call for Papers/Conference Proposals

Call for Papers: Journal of Higher Education Outreach and Engagement (Deadline: February 1, 2017)
The Journal for Higher Education Outreach and Engagement highlights innovative endeavors, emerging issues, and reports on impact in the areas of public service, outreach, engaged research, public scholarship, service-learning, and community service.

Call for Proposals: PUBLIC, the online Journal of Imagining America (Deadline: February 1, 2017)
PUBLIC, the online Journal of Imagining America: Artists and Scholars in Public Life seeks artists, activists, designers, and scholars in an exploration of the potential of digital technologies and practices to inspire creative, interactive, collaborative work for public engagement and the pursuit of social justice.
DePauw's Irwin W. Steans Center seeks research proposals (Deadline: February 28, 2017)
DePauw University's Irwin W. Stearns Center invites proposals for research focused on the impact of service learning on students, faculty, community partners, and/or one or more higher education institutions in the Chicago Metropolitan Area.

Call for Papers: Partnerships: A Journal of Service-Learning and Civic Engagement (Deadline: Ongoing)
The 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

U of M student help needed for Hennepin County elections
The University's Hennepin-University Partnership office seeks current University undergraduate and graduate students for election activities from November 2 through 8. Students will process ballots during morning, afternoon, or evening shifts, and can earn a $50 gift card for each half-day shift they work.

Call for Nominations: U of M GPS Alliance Faculty Advisory Committee (Deadline: November 15, 2016)
The University's Global Programs and Strategy (GPS) Alliance is seeking nominations for faculty from across the University system to serve on its inaugural Faculty Advisory Committee (FAC). The FAC will advise and counsel the GPS Alliance leadership on ways to further connect with and support international academic engagement at home and abroad.

Call for Applications: 2017 U of M Minnesota State Fair D2D building (Deadline: January 15, 2017)
The University's Driven to Discover research facility at the Minnesota State Fair provides turnkey research space for University faculty and student investigators seeking to recruit participants from among the fair's 1.9 million annual visitors.

U of M's RSDP seeks board members
The University's Regional Sustainable Development Partnerships seeks community and University representatives to serve on its five regional boards. Tenure-track faculty are especially encouraged to apply. RSDP boards review and approve community projects seeking University connections.
U of M IonE's Acara offers Social Impact Launchpad course

Sponsored by the University's Institute on the Environment Acara program, this intensive one-week course focuses on how to turn an idea into a viable social business model.

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