Engagement Spotlight

U of M names first cohort of Generation Next/UROC Faculty Fellows
Six University of Minnesota researchers have been named Generation Next/UROC Faculty Fellows and charged with creating teams to tackle the question: “Why is there an achievement gap in the context of Minneapolis-St. Paul and what promising practices are helping close that gap?” Coordinated by the University’s Urban Research and Outreach-Engagement Center (UROC) in partnership with Minneapolis-based Generation Next and aligned with the University’s broader public engagement agenda, the fellows will zero in on disparities and the structural roots of the achievement gap to create a scholarly roadmap that works in tandem with other University and Generation Next-based efforts. Learn more.

Announcements

OPE seeks nominations for 2015 U of M President’s Community-Engaged Scholar Award
This annual, systemwide award recognizes one faculty member or one academic professional and administrative employee for exemplary community-engaged scholarship in his or her field of inquiry.

Writing and Publishing Workshop for Public Engagement Practitioners—Wednesday, December 17
On December 17th, at UROC in Minneapolis, the University of Minnesota’s office for Public Engagement and Campus Community Coordinators Alliance are offering an interactive workshop that will broaden your writing and collaboration skills in a way that will contribute to your campus’ civic work, make it more visible, and allow you to reflect and assess results. Registration deadline is December 11th.

U of M Engaged Scholar Critical Community Engagement Roundtable—Wednesday, December 3
December's topic is critical service-learning.

**U of M Engaged Teaching Roundtable—Friday, December 5**
Engaged Teaching Roundtables are an opportunity for instructors to discuss challenges and share best practices in service-learning and other community-engaged learning strategies.

**OPE seeks applicants for MacJannet Prize for Global Citizenship**
The Office for Public Engagement seeks applicants for the MacJannet Prize in Global Citizenship, an international award recognizing exceptional programs that promote student community engagement and community service.

**Leveraging Research for Change: Engaged Scholar Community-Academic Research Institute—Friday, February, 6**
The University's Clinical and Translational Science Institute and Office for Public Engagement is partnering with Minnesota Campus Compact to host a day-long workshop for faculty, staff, students, and community partners focused on themes of leveraging community-engaged research and knowledge production in engaged research processes.

**U of M Events**

- Dec. 2  [Engaged Scholar Workshop: Preparing Your Dossier: A Hands-on Clinic-Part III](#)
- Dec. 3  [Critical Community Engagement Roundtable: Critical Service-Learning](#)
- Dec. 5  [Engaged Teaching Roundtable](#)
- Dec. 17  [OPE Writing and Publishing Workshop for Public Engagement Practitioners](#)
- Jan. 7  [Critical Community Engagement Roundtable: Where is Racial Equity in Asset-Based Community Development?](#)
- Feb. 6  [Community-Academic Research Institute](#)
- Feb. 6  [College Readiness and Achievement Gaps (CRAG) Talk](#)
- Feb. 12  [Engaged Scholar Social](#)
- March 4  [Critical Community Engagement Roundtable: Building the Field of Community Engagement: "Impacts of Community Engagement" Model](#)
- March 27  [Engaged Scholar Workshop: Preparing Students for Engaging in Communities](#)
- April 1  [Critical Community Engagement Roundtable: Living Integrated Lives as Community Engagement Practitioners](#)
- April 3  [College Readiness and Achievement Gaps (CRAG) Talk](#)
- April 9  [Engaged Scholar Social](#)
- April 10  [Engaged Scholar Workshop: Assessing Students' Reflective Writing Assignments](#)
- April 24  [Engaged Teaching Roundtable](#)
- June 2-4  [Rural Arts and Culture Summit](#)

**Other Events**

- Feb. 11,12  [Citizen Science 2015](#)
- March 28, 29  [Global Health and Innovation Conference](#)
- April 8-10  [Continuums of Service Conference](#)
- April 8-11  [National Service-Learning Conference](#)
- June 8-11  [Engagement Academy for University Leaders](#)
- June 9,10  [Upper Midwest Civic Engagement Summit](#)

**Featured Resource**
Community-Based Participatory Research Partnerships: A Skill Building Curriculum
This evidence-based curriculum is a tool that can be used to improve community-institutional partnerships focused on improving public health. Developed by the University of Washington, the curriculum offers content, examples, and exercises that are intended to foster critical thinking and improve collaborated efforts between community members and institutions.

Awards/Grants

Center for Engaged Democracy Research Funds (Deadline: November 20, 2014)
University of Connecticut's Center for Engaged Democracy requests proposals for research in three research areas: student outcomes, leadership, and structure of inclusion.

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Call for Papers/Proposals

Call for Proposals: 2015 Rural Arts and Culture Summit (Deadline: December 1, 2014)
Organizers seek proposals that address the following question: how can community and economic development leaders tap into cultural assets when planning for the future?

Call for Workshop Proposals: 2015 IMPACT Conference (Deadline: December 1, 2014)
IMPACT National Conference seeks workshop proposals regarding a variety of topics such as service-learning and community-based research, leadership and professional development, volunteer management, etc.

Call for Proposals: Missing Voices Conference (Deadline: December 1, 2014)
St. Mary's University of Minnesota's Missing Voices 2015 Conference seeks presenters interested in inspiring, equipping, and connecting conference attendees with resources to create a better educational experience for all students.

Calls for Proposals: Conference on Community Writing (Deadline: December 5, 2014)
Papers and workshops being sought to help understand how writing functions to inform, empower, and transform infrastructure to support engaged research and pedagogy.

Call for Manuscripts: Journal of Public Scholarship in Higher Education (Deadline: February 1, 2015)
The editors of the Journal of Public Scholarship in Higher Education invite manuscript submissions aimed at stimulating dialogue about the ways community engagement impacts faculty work and transforms disciplines and institutions.

Call for Proposals: 2015 Upper Midwest Civic Engagement Summit (Deadline: February 13, 2015)
Illinois, Iowa, Minnesota, and Wisconsin Campus Compacts invite session proposals for their upcoming summit themed "The Global is Local: Civic Engagement across Cultures, Communities, and Nations."

Call for Submissions: Public: A Journal of Imagining America (Deadline: February 15, 2015)
Submissions welcome that consider resonances and differences between public scholarship and practice in civic engaged arts, humanities, and design.

Call for Papers: The Journal of Higher Education Outreach and Engagement (Deadline: Ongoing)
The Journal for Higher Education Outreach and Engagement 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

**Cultural Agility Collaboration (CAC) Cohort Application Now Available** (Deadline: December 19, 2014)
The CAC project Leadership Team is accepting applications for their Learning and Leadership cohort which is dedicated to developing more inclusive collaborative leaders and community-campus partnerships in Minnesota.

**Academy of Community Engagement Scholarship Seeks Nominations** (Deadline: Ongoing)
The Academy of Community Engagement Scholarship seeks nominations for membership from higher education and the community at large.

The [Office for Public Engagement](http://www.umn.edu) is part of the [University of Minnesota](http://www.umn.edu) Office of the Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost.