Engagement Spotlight

Benefits of global exchanges in education, research, and development
For many countries development depends on strengthening their rural regions. While a country like Morocco differs in many ways from Minnesota, rural leadership works according to many of the same principles. The Moroccan Rural Leadership program, highlighted in a recent issue of Source magazine, is one of University of Minnesota Extension’s global initiatives designed to improve lives and promote stability. Learn more.

Announcements

U of M Associate Vice President for Public Engagement Andrew Furco named to APLU Board of Directors
University of Minnesota Associate Vice President for Public Engagement Andrew Furco has been named to the Association of Public and Land-Grant Universities’ Board of Directors.

U of M HUP wins Kellogg Foundation Community Engagement Scholarship Award
The University's Hennepin-University Partnership (HUP) was awarded the regional W.K. Kellogg Foundation Community Engagement Scholarship Award. The regional award qualified HUP to compete for the C. Peter Magrath Community Engagement Scholarship Award.

U of M named finalist for Innovation and Economic Prosperity Universities Awards
The University of Minnesota was named as a finalist in the Association of Public and Land-Grant Universities’ 2015 Innovation and Economic Prosperity Universities Awards. The awards recognize exemplary, innovative and sustainable efforts by universities to advance the engagement and economic well-being of their regions.

U of M’s 2016 Driven to Discover Minnesota State Fair Building seeks applicants
The University's Driven to Discover Minnesota State Fair Building offers an opportunity to recruit and enroll research participants in on-site data collection.
Seven Minnesota campuses receive career ready internship grants
Seven Minnesota Campus Compact member campuses have received Career Ready Internship Grants to support students. Awarded to: Augsburg College; Hamline University; Metropolitan State University; St. Catherine University; University of Minnesota, Morris; University of Minnesota, Twin Cities; and University of Northwestern-Saint Paul.

U of M School of Public Health to design national interdisciplinary research leadership initiative
The Robert Wood Johnson Foundation has selected the University's School of Public Health, in collaboration with several external partners, to serve as the national center for a new Interdisciplinary Research Leaders Program.

U of M Twin Cities, Rochester among campuses to receive PAR grants
In an effort to narrow the education gap by promoting youth engagement, Minnesota Campus Compact's Participatory Action Research Initiative has awarded grants to the University's Twin Cities and Rochester campuses, Carlton College, and the University of St. Thomas.

Call for Grant Applications

Child Health Collaborative Grant Award (Deadline: January 29, 2016)
This grant program supports collaborative research addressing unmet child health issues in Minnesota by developing and translating innovative, evidence-based health improvement strategies.

U of M Events

- Jan. 15 CHANCE Workshop: Cedar-Riverside Development
- Jan. 28 College Readiness and Achievement Gap (CRAG) Talk
- Feb. 2 Critical Community Engagement Roundtable
- Feb. 18 Engaged Scholar Promotion and Tenure Workshops
- Feb. 19 CHANCE Workshop: Healthcare
- March 1 Critical Community Engagement Roundtable
- March 3 College Readiness and Achievement Gap (CRAG) Talk
- March 18 CHANCE Workshop: Immigrant Women
- March 31 Meeting Society's Grand Challenges Through Engaged Research, Teaching and Learning
- April 5 Critical Community Engagement Roundtable
- April 15 CHANCE End-of-Year Celebration
- May 3 Critical Community Engagement Roundtable
- June 20-21 Educational Equity in Action

Other Events

- Jan. 8 Rural By Design Workshop
- Jan. 28 Climate Adaptation Conference
- Feb. 9 Minnesota Farmers' Market Academy
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- Feb. 23 Webinar: Re-Imagining the Engaged Campus
- March 2 Solar Power Hour
- March 9 Solar Power Hour
- March 15 Webinar: External Reviews of Civic Engagement Programs
- March 21-23 Campus Compact 30th Anniversary Conference
- March 30-April 2 NYLC National Service-Learning Conference
- April 7 Minnesota Campus Compact Annual Summit and Awards Ceremony
April 11-15 Volunteer Management
April 18, 2016 Land Ethic Leadership Seminar
April 21 Webinar: The Impact of Community-University Partnerships on Community Organizations
May 11-14 Community-Campus Partnerships for Health International Conference
May 31 - June 1 Upper Midwest Civic Engagement Summit
June 2-4 ADP/TDC/NASPA Civic Learning and Democratic Engagement Meeting
July 28-Aug. 1 SENCER Summer Institute

Featured Resource

Engaged Civic Learning Course Design Workbook
Co-developed by Campus Compact president Andrew Seligsohn, this faculty development workbook provides an education framework to promote a common standard of teaching in civic learning classes.

Call for Award Nominations

2016 U of M President's Community-Engaged Scholar Award (Deadline: January 22, 2016)
This annual University award recognizes one faculty member or one academic professional and administrative employee for exemplary community-engaged scholarship in his or her field of inquiry. Each college on the Twin Cities campus and the campuses of Crookston, Duluth, Morris, and Rochester may select one individual to serve as the unit's Community-Engaged Scholar Award Collegiate/Campus Recipient.

MacJannet Prize for Global Citizenship (Deadline: February 29, 2016)
The Talloires Network and the MacJannet Foundation recognize international programs that work toward community engagement.

Ernest A. Lynton Award for the Scholarship of Engagement for Early Career Faculty (Deadline: April 8, 2016)
The Ernest A. Lynton award recognizes pre-tenure and early career faculty who connect teaching, research, and service to community engagement.

U of M Graduate School offers Thesis Research Travel Grants
The University's Graduate School offers grants of up to $2,500 for domestic research and up to $5,000 for international research to students who have completed a minimum of one academic year of graduate work. Travel must be completed by December 31, 2016.

Call for Papers/Conference Proposals

Meeting Society's Grand Challenges through Community-Engaged Research, Teaching and Learning (Deadline: January 15, 2016)
The University's Office for Public Engagement seeks proposals from faculty, students and community partners for a systemwide conference on March 31, 2016 on the role public engagement plays in addressing societal challenges on a local, regional, national or global scale.

Call for Proposals: International Service-Learning Summit (Deadline: January 30, 2016)
The fourth annual International Service-Learning Summit seeks proposals and team presentations for its annual summit to promote inclusive service-learning for students, educators and community members.

Call for Proposals: Civic Learning and Democratic Engagement Meeting (Deadline: February 1, 2016)
Student Affairs Administrators in Higher Education seeks program proposals for its Civic Learning and Democratic Engagement meeting June 2-4, 2016.
Call for Proposals: U of M Consortium on Law and Values (Deadline: February 15, 2016)
The University's Consortium on Law and Values in Health, Environment and the Life Sciences seeks proposals addressing the societal implications of problems in health, environment, or the life sciences to graduate and professional students for work during summer 2016 and the academic year 2016-17.

Call for Proposals: Upper Midwest Civic Engagement Summit (Deadline: February 16, 2016)
Iowa Campus Compact, Minnesota Campus Compact, and Wisconsin Campus Compact seek session proposals related to this year's Upper Midwest Civic Engagement Summit theme, Beyond Service: Education, Research, and Work for a Just World.

Call for Proposals: 2016 Engagement Scholarship Consortium (Deadline: March 15, 2016)
The Engagement Scholarship Consortium seeks presentations or posters addressing 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.

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

Opportunities

Engaged Scholar Promotion and Tenure Workshops begin February 18
Join fellow faculty in a special three-part University of Minnesota Engaged Scholar Workshop offering community-engaged scholars strategic and practical approaches for success in the promotion and tenure process.

Co-Lab’s Home 4 U Innovation Contest
University students are invited to submit proposals on ways to make the Twin Cities campus feel more comfortable and more like home. The individual or group with the winning proposal receives $750; proposals due January 10.

U.S. Borlaug Summer Institute on Global Food Security (Deadline: February 1, 2016)
The U.S. Borlaug Summer Institute invites graduate students to apply for a week-long program that focuses on an interdisciplinary approach to problem solving in global food security. The Institute will take place at Purdue University on June 5 though June 8, 2016.

Pathways to Research Program (PReP) seeking applications (Deadline: February 5, 2016)
The University's Pathways to Research Program provides University undergraduate students with knowledge, skills, and experience in translational science and health equity research. Up to ten students from underrepresented populations will receive a stipend of approximately $424 per week.

Advanced Pathways to Research Program (A-PReP) seeking applications (Deadline: February 5, 2016)
The University's Advanced Pathways to Research Program provides research training to professional health sciences students with interest in clinical or translational research. Up to ten students will receive a stipend of approximately $560 per week.

MN LEND Fellowship seeks applications (Deadline: February 29, 2016)
The University's Leadership Education in Neurodevelopmental and Related Disabilities (MN LEND) is seeking graduate students and community members interested in becoming MN LEND Fellows. MN LEND is a stipend-based training program designed to support individuals to be leaders in the field of autism and related neurodevelopmental disabilities.
Minnesota Campus Compact seeks administrative coordinator
Minnesota Campus Compact seeks a part-time events and administrative coordinator to provide support for events and operations.

Missouri Campus Compact seeks manuscript reviewer
Missouri Campus Compact seeks a manuscript reviewer for its Journal of Public Scholarship in Higher Education.

The Office for Public Engagement is a unit of the University of Minnesota Office of the Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost.