Engagement Spotlight

Grow Grant County hired a facilitator to help them come up with a list of ideas and strategies for community and economic development. Topping the list was the need to survey community residents about their shopping habits, so they called on the University of Minnesota, Morris Center For Small Towns for help. 

Learn more.

Announcements

U of M New Engaged Scholar Socials for Faculty— Tuesday, October 21 at Campus Club
Engaged Scholar Socials are a way for University faculty involved in publicly-engaged teaching and research to share experiences, network in a happy-hour setting, and move an agenda forward for improving the environment for engaged scholarship.

U of M Engaged Scholar Workshop—Thursday, October 17 in 186 Humphrey School of Public Affairs
Thursday's Engaged Scholar Workshop is titled "Understanding and Enhancing Students' Intercultural Development." Co-sponsored by the University's Community-Service Learning Center and Office for Public Engagement.
U of M Engaged Scholar Critical Community Engagement Roundtable—Wednesday, November 5 in 238a Morrill Hall
Created for faculty and staff on the front lines of the University's community-engaged work, Critical Community Engagement Roundtables offer challenging discussion, peer support, and a safe place to test new ideas. The November's roundtable is titled "Hidden Subjectivities in our Academic Disciplines."

U of M Faculty Receive $2.8 Million DOE Grant
The U.S. Department of Education has awarded College of Continuing Education and Human Development Associate Professor and Associate Vice President for Public Engagement Andrew Furco and Professor Geoffrey Maruyama a $2.8 million grant to research how best to support underrepresented and low-income college students and bridge campus-community cultural divides by developing deeper partnership with diverse communities.

U of M Constitution Day Event: Into the Bright Sunshine: Hubert Humphrey and the Civil Rights Act of 1964
Join philanthropic leader Reatha Clark King, former Minnesota Congressman Donald Fraser, and University of Minnesota historian Paul Stone as they reflect upon the role Hubert H. Humphrey played in the groundbreaking Civil Rights Act of 1964 in a special event hosted by the University's Urban Research and Outreach-Engagement Center.

Publishing Outlets for Publicly-Engaged Scholarship
The Office for Public Engagement's website now hosts a web-based database of publishing outlets that accept publicly-engaged scholarly activities. The database can be searched by both publication subject and media type.

U of M Associate Professor Jordan Named to Academy of Community Engaged Scholarship
University of Minnesota Extension Associate Professor Catherine Jordan has been inducted into the Academy of Community Engaged Scholarship dedicated to exploring critical and complex societal and community issues and providing recommendations to inform local, regional, national, and international research and policy agendas.

U of M CTSI Awards Two Projects to Disseminate Research to Community
The University's Clinical and Translational Science Institute's Populations and Community Engagement function has awarded two projects through its new Dissemination and Implementation Supplemental Grant Program. The awards will support the Interdisciplinary Institute on the Reproductive Health of Incarcerated Women in Minnesota and best practices among mental health service delivery systems for refugees.

U of M Events

- Oct. 14  Interdisciplinary Center for the Study of Global Change Distinguished Lecture
- Oct. 17  Engaged Scholar Workshop: Understanding and Enhancing Students' Intercultural Development
- Oct. 17  Interdisciplinary Center for the Study of Global Change Brown Bag
- Oct. 21  Engaged Scholar Social
- Oct. 28  UROC Critical Conversation: Into the Bright Sunshine: Hubert Humphrey and the Civil Rights Act of 1964
- Oct. 31  Interdisciplinary Center for the Study of Global Change Brown Bag
- Oct. 31  International Collaborative Research Forum
- Nov. 5  Critical Community Engagement Roundtable: Hidden Subjectivities in Our Academic Disciplines
- Nov. 5  2014 Advancing Cancer Health Equity Conference
- Nov. 7  Engaged Scholar Workshop: Developing Effective Reflection Assignments
- Nov. 7  Interdisciplinary Center for the Study of Global Change Brown Bag
- Nov. 11  Engaged Scholar Workshop: Preparing for Promotion and Tenure-Part I
- Nov. 13  Interdisciplinary Center for the Study of Global Change Distinguished Lecture
- Nov. 14 College Readiness and Achievement Gaps (CRAG) Talk
- Nov. 18 Engaged Scholar Workshop: Preparing for Promotion and Tenure-Part II
- Nov. 21 Interdisciplinary Center for the Study of Global Change Brown Bag
- 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
- 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

Other Events

- Oct. 15-17 Eastern Region Campus Compact Conference
- Oct. 16-18 AAC&U Global Learning in College: Cross-Cutting Capacities for 21st-Century College Students
- Oct. 24-26 Midwest Service Leaders Conference
- Oct. 28-30 Food Access Summit 2014
- Oct. 30 Minnesota Campus Compact: Campus-Community Engagement as a Strategy for Health
- Nov. 6-8 Net Impact Conference
- Nov. 7 Minnesota Campus Compact: Deepening Engagement by Mobilizing Assets at Your Institution
- Nov. 17,18 Anchor Institutions Task Force Conference
- 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

Journal of Higher Education Outreach and Engagement Vol. 18, No. 3
A special issue of the Journal of Higher Education Outreach and Engagement has been published on boundary spanning in community engagement. In addition to diverse contributors, the journal draws from keynote addresses, presentations, and award-winning posters from the 2013 Engagement Scholarship Consortium annual meeting.
Awards/Grants

U of M Center for Urban and Regional Affairs Community Assistantship Program (CAP) (Deadline: October 30, 2014)
The CAP provides applied research assistance to community-based groups outside the Twin Cities metro area.

U of M CURA's Kris Nelson Community-Based Research Program (Deadline: October 30, 2014)
The Center for Urban and Regional Affairs' Kris Nelson Community-based Research Program provides community organizations and suburban government agencies with community-driven, applied student-based research and technical assistance and creates opportunities for shared understanding and action based on the results.

U of M HFHL Institute Community-University Research Grant (Deadline: November 14, 2014)
The Healthy Foods, Healthy Lives Institute has released its fall RFP for the Community-University Partnership Grant to fund innovative, community-University partnerships that utilize community-engaged research strategies.

U of M HFHL Institute Faculty Research Planning Grant (Deadline: November 14, 2014)
The Healthy Foods, Healthy Lives Institute is calling for letters of interest for the Faculty Planning Grant Program, designed to fund the development of food, nutrition and health-related interdisciplinary faculty research teams.

Center for Engaged Democracy Research Funds (Deadline: November 20, 2014)
The Center for Engaged Democracy is requesting proposals for research in three research areas: student outcomes, leadership, and structure of inclusion.

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 Proposals: Citizen Science Association Inaugural Conference (Deadline: October 23, 2014)
Organized by the Citizen Science Association, this inaugural conference will bring together individuals from a wide spectrum of disciplines and experiences to build the field of public participation in scientific research.

Call for Papers: Science Education and Civic Engagement (Deadline: November 3, 2014)
Contributions to this journal will focus on using unsolved, complex civic issues as a framework to develop students’ understanding of the role of scientific knowledge in a broader social and political context.

Call for Proposals: Pathways to Achieving Civic Engagement Conference (Deadline: November 7, 2014)
Proposals are sought for presentations that will inform or advance the research and practice of community engagement through research, innovative program design, and other methods.

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

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

**U of M Volunteers Needed for Area Parent Graduations**
University volunteers are needed to serve as University representatives to parent graduation ceremonies throughout Minneapolis, Saint Paul, Columbia Heights, or Brooklyn Center this school year. Volunteers are being coordinated through the College Readiness Consortium. Contact Char Greenwald for details.

**Apply to Host a College Health Corps AmeriCorps*VISTA Member**  (Deadline: November 11, 2014)
Applications are being accepted to host College Health Corps AmeriCorps*VISTA members in the 2015-16 year. College Health Corps VISTA members focus on increasing access to healthcare services, providing health prevention services and health education, increasing organizational capacity building, and engaging campus students in their communities.

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