Engagement Spotlight

**Red Lake Nation and U of M Extension Services Combine for Business Success**

University of Minnesota Extension is using its Business Retention and Expansion model to assist Red Lake Nation's Entrepreneur Program. The Economic Development Administration Center at the University of Minnesota-Crookston, University of Minnesota Extension Services, the Otto Bremer Foundation and Red Lake Economic Development and Planning will fund the project to aid small businesses in the Red Lake community and promote economic growth.

Announcements

**U of M Associate VP Furco Named to Academy of Community Engagement Scholarship**

University Associate Vice President of Public Engagement Andrew Furco was inducted to the Academy of Community Engagement Scholarship at the Engagement Scholarship Consortium Conference on September 30.

**U of M Engaged Scholar Critical Community Engagement Roundtables**

Sponsored by the University's Office for Public Engagement, these monthly roundtables are made up of community-engaged practitioners from across the University united by a desire to share their experiences and learn from others working in University-community partnerships.

Call for Grant Applications

**U of M Engaged Department Grant Program: Request for Proposals (Deadline: Monday, December 7, 2015)**

The University's Engaged Department Grant Program offers competitive grants of up to $7,500 to academic departments interested in deepening community engagement in their research and/or teaching activities. An informational session will be held from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Friday, October 23 during which applicants will hear from a variety of academic departments that have previously received the grant and have implemented community-engaged initiatives.

**U of M Metropolitan Engagement Zones: Call for Applications (Deadline: October 16**
In collaboration with the University-Metropolitan Consortium, the University's Office for Public Engagement invites applications for funding to establish Metropolitan Engagement Zones that network existing University-community partnerships operating within a neighborhood or region in the greater Twin Cities metropolitan area.

**U of M Community-Engaged Teaching and Learning Faculty Fellows Program: Call for Applications (Deadline: Friday, November 6, 2015)**

Development grants of $1,000 are available to support University of Minnesota instructors in integrating community engagement initiatives into their courses. Technical assistance and other support is available from the University's Center for Community-Engaged Learning (formerly the Community Service-Learning Center).

**U of M Healthy Foods, Healthy Lives Institute Community-University Partnership Grant Program (Deadline: November 18, 2015)**

The Healthy Foods, Healthy Lives (HFHL) Institute seeks proposals and letters of interest related to food, nutrition, and health to fund innovative community-university partnerships.

**U of M Healthy Foods, Healthy Lives Institute Faculty Planning Grant Program (Deadline: November 18, 2015)**

The Healthy Foods, Healthy Lives (HFHL) Institute supports the development of cross-disciplinary research teams related to food, nutrition, and health.

**U of M Events**

- Oct. 8 Participatory Action Research Workshop: Urban Research and Outreach-Engagement Center (UROC)
- Oct. 8 Engaging Communities in the Heartland: An Archaeology of a Multi-Racial Community
- Oct. 16 CHANCE Workshop: Cedar-Riverside Youth
- Oct. 23, 24 U of M Constitution Day Event: Immigrant America
- Oct. 23 Engaged Department Workshop
- Nov. 3 Engaged Scholar Critical Community Engagement Roundtable
- Nov. 8-10 Food Access Summit: Networking for Change
- Nov. 10 Critical Conversations: The Raising of America
- Nov. 20 CHANCE Workshop: Cedar-Riverside Safety Issues
- Dec. 1 Engaged Scholar Critical Community Engagement Roundtable
- Dec. 18 CHANCE Holiday Celebration
- Jan. 15 CHANCE Workshop: Cedar-Riverside Development
- Feb. 19 CHANCE Workshop: Healthcare
- March 18 CHANCE Workshop: Immigrant Women
- April 15 CHANCE End-of-Year Celebration

**Other Events**

- Oct. 9 Participatory Action Research Workshop
- Oct. 16, 17 Conference on Community Writing
- Oct. 22, 23 Pen to Paper Writing Retreat: Writing With, For and About Service- and Community-Engagement
- Oct. 22-25 Annual Meeting of the Association for Interdisciplinary Studies: Impact for the Common Good?
- Oct. 29, 30 Anchor Institute Task Force Annual Conference
- Oct. 30 Participatory Action Research Workshop
- Nov. 14 Lynton Colloquium on the Scholarship of Engagement
- Nov. 16-18 International Association for Research on Service Learning and Community Engagement Conference
March 21-23  Campus Compact 30th Anniversary Conference
May 11-14  Community-Campus Partnerships for Health International Conference
June 2-4  ADP/TDC/NASPA Civic Learning and Democratic Engagement Meeting

Featured Resource

**Arts & Humanities in Higher Education Special Issue on Engagement**
The publication *Arts & Humanities in Higher Education*'s special issue, *Forum on Civic Engagement in the Arts and Humanities*, spotlights liberal arts as an important component of civic engagement. Experts describe best practices for using disciplines from language-learning to gaming to connect students to their educations in innovative ways.

Call for Award Nominations

**Dow Sustainability Innovation Student Challenge Award** *(Deadline: October 23, 2015)*
The Sustainability Innovation Student Challenge Award, a program of the Institute on the Environment and the Dow Chemical Company, recognizes students and universities for innovation and research that encourages and promotes sustainable solutions to the world's most pressing social, economic, and environmental problems.

Call for Papers/Publication Proposals

**Call for Proposals: Journey to Justice: Creating Change Through Partnerships** *(Deadline: October 15, 2015)*
Community Campus Partnership for Health (CCPH) invites proposals for its 14th International Conference. CCPH seeks to improve health by focusing on social and racial justice issues.

**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.

**Call for Proposals: U of Iowa Press Series on Public Engagement** *(Deadline: Ongoing)*
The University of Iowa Press seeks content proposals for a series of books designed to capture significant publicly-engaged arts and humanities collaborations from the perspectives of faculty, students, community members, and organizational partners.

Opportunities

**Kris Nelson Community-Based Research Program**
The Kris Nelson Community-Based Research Program offers student-based research and technical assistance to community organizations and suburban governments in the Twin Cities area.

**Journal of Public Scholarship in Higher Education Seeking Reviewers**
The Journal of Public Scholarship in Higher Education is seeking reviewers. The academic peer-reviewed journal focuses on community and civic engagement.

**Ethical Global Engagement Research Fellow Opportunity**
In cooperation with the Better Volunteering Better Care Network and the GASP Working Group, globalsl.org seeks a part-time volunteer fellow to map existing ethical global engagement and learning strategies at the high school level in the United States.