Engagement Spotlight

**UMD's Student to Business Initiative**
For more than a decade, the University of Minnesota, Duluth's (UMD) Northeast Small Business Development Center, Center for Economic Development and Labovitz School of Business and Economics have collaborated to provide a program called the Student to Business Initiative which partners student teams with businesses on integrated marketing communications strategies. The goal is to provide small businesses with a marketing plan they can implement to grow their business while providing experiential learning opportunities for students.

Announcements

**Kathleen Call receives U of M President's Community-Engaged Scholar Award**
The University's School of Public Health Professor Kathleen Call has received the President's Community-Engaged Scholar Award for her exemplary engaged scholarship conducted in partnership with the community to create new knowledge that addresses important and significant societal issues. Awarded through the Office for Public Engagement and the Office of the Vice Provost for Faculty and Academic Affairs, Call was one of 11 collegiate award recipients recognized at an award luncheon on April 3. Other collegiate award recipients included: Christine Baeumler (College of Liberal Arts), Robert Blair (College of Food, Agriculture and Natural Resource Sciences), Lesa Covington Clarkson (College of Education and Human Development), Lawrence Gray (College of Science and Engineering), Alvin Killough (University of Minnesota, Crookston), Lauren Martin (Urban Research and Outreach-Engagement Center), Kristine Miller (College of Design), Myron Orfield (Law School), Renee Sieving (School of Nursing), and Carlissa Slotterback (Humphrey School of Public Affairs).

**U of M Public Engagement Leaders Retreat—May 20 and 21**
Retreat highlights include a session on connecting the University's public engagement agenda to other key initiatives, a discussion of the University's strategic plan, an update on the Issue Area Networks, and workshops on personal and professional leadership development.

**U of M Events**

- April 22: [23rd Annual Joel Labovitz Entrepreneurial Success Awards](#)
- April 24: [Engaged Teaching Roundtable](#)
- June 2-4: [Rural Arts and Culture Summit](#)
July 20-24 **Upper Midwest Basic Economic Development Course**
Oct. 23, 24 **Immigrant America: New Immigration and Immigration Histories from 1965 to the Present**

Other Events

- April 16 **Minnesota Campus Compact Summit**
- June 4-6 **Civic Learning and Democratic Engagement Meeting**
- June 8-11 **Engagement Academy for University Leaders**
- June 9-10 **Upper Midwest Civic Engagement Summit**
- July 13-17 **Community-Based Participatory Research Partnership Academy**
- Sept. 30-Oct 3 **Imagining America National Conference**
- Oct. 14-16 **Eastern Region Campus Compact Conference**
- Oct. 16, 17 **Conference on Community Writing**
- Nov. 16-18 **International Association for Research on Service Learning and Community Engagement Conference**

Featured Resource

**Diving Deep in Community Engagement: A Model for Professional Development**
Campus Compact, in collaboration with Iowa Campus Compact, has produced this new book focused on professional development, career advancement, and unit guidance for those in the civic and community engagement field. Laurel Hirt, director of the University's Community Service-Learning Center, is a contributing author.

Awards/Grants

**U of M Healthy Foods, Healthy Lives Institute Planning Grant Program for Community-University Partnerships** *(Deadline: April 17, 2015)*
This program offers seed funding for the development of promising, authentic community-university research partnerships related to food, nutrition, and health.

**U of M Clinical and Translational Science Institute's Dissemination and Implementation Awards** *(Deadline: April 27, 2015)*
This program provides funding to research teams so they can apply research to real world issues related to human health. A total of $20,000 will be awarded to 6-12 collaborations between University researchers and Minnesota-based community organizations.

**State Farm Youth Advisory Board Service-Learning Grants** *(Deadline: May 1, 2015)*
Between $25,000 and $100,000 in funding is available for service-learning projects that address the following issue areas: access to higher education/achievement gap, economic empowerment, community safety and justice, health, environmental responsibility, and arts and culture.

**Thomas Ehrlich Civically Engaged Faculty Award** *(Deadline: May 22, 2015)*
This award recognizes senior, tenured faculty for exemplary leadership in advancing students' civic learning and higher education's contributions to the public good.

Call for Papers/Proposals

**Call for Submissions: International Journal for Research on Service-Learning and Community Engagement** *(Deadline: April 25, 2015)*
The International Journal for Research on Service-Learning and Community Engagement is a peer-reviewed online journal dedicated to the publication of research on service-learning, campus-community engagement, and the promotion of citizenship through education.

**Call for Submissions: Undergraduate Journal of Service Learning and Community-**
Based Research (Deadline: June 1, 2015)
This journal is dedicated to publishing the intellectual and reflective work by undergraduates on service learning, community-based research, and curriculum- and/or research-based public community engagement activities.

Call for Manuscripts: Interdisciplinary Journal of Partnership Studies (Deadline: August 1, 2015)
Launched in November 2014, the Interdisciplinary Journal of Partnership Studies is dedicated to sharing knowledge and successful applications of Riane Eisler’s partnership paradigm.

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

Job Posting: U of M Rochester civic engagement scholar
University of Minnesota, Rochester seeks a candidate with expertise in the scholarship of civic engagement. The successful candidate will take a leading role in coordinating and collaboratively teaching the primary civic engagement and capstone experience courses.

Job Posting: U of M Twin Cities Path to Reading Excellence in School Sites literacy coordinator
The University's Minnesota Center for Reading Research (MCRR) is seeking a literacy coordinator for the Path to Reading Excellence in School Sites. Housed in the College of Education, MCRR conducts applied research on reading and teaching approaches that facilitate reading instruction.

Call for Board Members: International Association for Research on Service-Learning and Community Engagement (Deadline: April 24, 2015)
The International Association for Research on Service-Learning and Community Engagement (IARSLCE) is seeking nominations for the upcoming election of the IARSLCE Board of Directors.

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