



ANNOUNCEMENT
Student Research Fellows Program
Institute of Community and Economic Engagement
University of North Carolina Greensboro

The Institute for Community and Economic Engagement (ICEE) is now accepting student applications to join the Institute in Spring 2017 as a student research fellow. Students may earn **independent study credit** with Dr. Emily Janke, director of ICEE and associate professor in the Peace and Conflict Studies Department.

Fellows will meet weekly with ICEE staff to contribute to areas of scholarship pursued by the Institute. Students may bring their own ideas, or work on ideas identified by the ICEE staff.

Community engagement is defined as the “collaboration (among) institutions of higher education and their larger communities (local, regional/state, national, global) for the mutually beneficial exchange of knowledge and resources in a context of partnership and reciprocity.”

About ICEE:

ICEE studies and promotes community engagement within UNCG and beyond as a distinctive and transformative approach to teaching, research, creative activity, and service, which requires collaborative and reciprocal partnerships. We achieve this through pursuing active research and scholarship, supporting institutional strategic initiatives, and providing professional development opportunities. We promote community engagement as a strategy to positively and sustainably transform communities, including academic ones, in ways that matter.

Our research agenda is continually being informed and shaped by our practice, scholarship, and relationships; it is not fixed. At present, our work is broadly encompassed by the following two areas of praxis.

Community-Higher Education Partnerships

- Interpersonal, Intergroup, and Intra-organizational, and Cross-sector Partnerships
- Partnership Identity Development Within Teams
- Tensions, Conflict, Celebration and Healing

Leading Community Engagement Into the Future

- Defining Community Engagement in University Work
- Recognizing and Rewarding the Mosaic of Faculty Talents and Community Engagement
- Strategic Planning for Community Engagement within Higher Education Institutions & Associations
- Tracking and Measuring Institutional Landscapes of Community Engagement
- Institutional Identity, Image and Communication Management
- Future Directions of Service-Learning and Community Engagement and Publicly Engaged Scholarship

Eligibility

- Be a currently enrolled graduate or undergraduate student at UNCG
- Be able to meet synchronously for 60-90 minutes per week
- Can enroll in an independent study course number, preferably PACS 450 or 690

Qualifications

- demonstrate a strong interest in community engagement (evidence provided via statement of interest)
- Demonstrated ability to work collaboratively
- Scholarly interest in service-learning and community engagement
- Strong writing skills
- Ability to work independently, seeking assistance when required to make forward progress in a timely manner

Responsibilities may include the following:

- Create a learning contract in collaboration with the Director using template provided (required)
- Meet weekly with the Director (required)
- Review literature in the community engagement field
- Build on ICEE areas of scholarship
- Create and contribute actively to development of new scholarship
- Produce and disseminate a scholarly artifact broadly

Application Requirements

- Submit an application. The application should contain the following items:
 - Name
 - Department
 - Level (undergraduate, masters, doctoral)
 - Contact info (email, phone)
 - Name of UNCG referral (this also indicates your permission to contact that person (e.g., advisor))
- 1-2 page statement of interest that explains: (a) your previous and/or current involvement in community engagement; (b) why you are applying (such as your personal, academic, career goals as they relate to community engagement scholarship), and (c) what you would like to accomplish through scholarship (you may have a pre-established research project to propose here, or you may indicate a desire to contribute to an existing project identified by ICEE staff that align with your interests and goals.

Timeline:

- Applications available: mid-October
- Application deadline: November 11
- Notification to applicants: December 1
- Independent study arrangements: prior to January 17, 2017
- Start of Semester: January 17, 2017
- Bi-weekly meeting: TBD
- Artifact due: May 2, 2017

Applications can be submitted online. For questions, contact Emily Janke (emjanke@uncg.edu). Applications are due November 11, 2016. Please write “APPLICATION FOR IS” in the subject line of the email.