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August 2019 Newsletter

UNC Greensboro's outlet for engagement and outreach spotlights, announcements, upcoming events, funding opportunities, publications, resources, and more.

Director's Note

Claiming a community engagement identity is transformative. Our collective sense of UNC Greensboro points us towards shared values, directs our energies, and fuels our vision. ICEE has been on the quest to better understand and share UNC Greensboro's identity as just 1 of 57 doctoral institutions distinguished by the Carnegie Foundation for both higher research activity and community engagement. This year we are accelerating efforts towards curating and sharing **your stories of engagement in and with communities**. We have scraped the tip of the iceberg with nearly 100 activities publicly posted in Collaboratory. This summer, our staff proxied an additional 100 activities that will be sent out to faculty and staff shortly for their (your?!) review, enhancement, and approval. **Is your story among them?** We are UNC Greensboro: *Find your [community](#) here.*



Sincerely,
Emily M. Janke, PhD
Director

Feature

Collaboratory Report

Collaboratory® is a community engagement database that was created at UNC Greensboro and is now used by 14 institutions and networks across the United States. Collaboratory helps us better understand UNCG's portrait of engagement and communicate internally and externally. In the 2018-19 academic year, over 60 faculty and staff engaged with the community, partnering with 11 other higher education institutions, and 102 community organizations. These activities drew in over \$1 million in funding, contributed 4,477 student service hours, and served over 174,000 community individuals. The top focus areas included health and wellness; education; and social issues, and the top target populations were youth/children; immigrants; individuals with disabilities; and families. Contribute to UNC Greensboro's portrait of engagement for the 2019-20 academic year by visiting [UNCG's Collaboratory](#).

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Community-Engaged Scholar Gathering

ICEE is hosting the 3rd annual Community-Engaged Scholar Gathering on September 26th, from 3:00-5:00p.m., at Greensboro Project Space. The purpose of this event is to convene UNC Greensboro faculty, staff, and administrators who are enacting or supporting community-engaged work. This year we will be celebrating over 100 activities in Collaboratory and sharing opportunities and resources available to attendees. [Please let us know if you can attend.](#)



Sharing UNCG Scholarship and Leadership

Bringing Theory to Practice: Humanities and Community Engagement

Five institutions in Greensboro, including UNC Greensboro, were selected to participate in the Partnerships for Listening and Action by Communities and Educators (PLACE) Collaboratory, a highly selective-community-based humanities and civic engagement initiative. The PLACE Collaboratory is a part of the larger Bringing Theory to Practice project and is funded by an \$800,000 grant from the Andrew W. Mellon Foundation. The goal of the initiative is to develop best practices for partnerships between the community and higher education through implementing local community-identified projects and networking and sharing across grant sites. Emily Janke serves as co-PI on the BTtoP grant that includes additional faculty from UNC Greensboro.



Dr. Laura Gonzalez Selected as NCCC Engaged Faculty Fellow

Dr. Gonzalez, Associate Professor of Education in the Higher Education Program, was selected as one of two Engaged Faculty Fellows by North Carolina Campus Compact. Throughout this year, Gonzalez will create a guidebook specifically for K-12 school staff who work with students with various immigration statuses. It will include personal narratives from people in the school system to help raise awareness of these experiences while nurturing empathy among teachers and administrators. This work builds off her community-engaged scholarship with the Latino Community Coalition of Guilford and other partners. [Learn more about Dr. Gonzalez's work in Collaboratory.](#)



Archives, Archiving, and Community

Erin Lawrimore will work with ICEE as a Faculty Fellow to convene a group to connect community-engaged scholars with archivists, librarians, and other professionals who are focused on long-term preservation of stories, information, and data. Participants will learn about tools for creating and managing their own scholarship with an eye towards long-term preservation. They will also learn about resources available to help the communities they work with preserving their own history in a sustainable, accessible way. A complete schedule of events will soon be available on [this site](#). [Learn more about Erin's work in Collaboratory.](#)



Resources

Community-Engaged Pathways and Partnerships (P2): A Collective Scholarship Fellows Program

ICEE, with the support of the Office of Research and Engagement, is seeking its third cohort of P2 Teams. The Community-Engaged Pathways and Partnerships (P2) fellows program aims to strengthen collective approaches to community-engaged scholarship through the development of sustainable pathways and partnerships that build deep, reciprocal processes to achieve mutually beneficial, community-identified priorities. Scholarship is broadly defined to include research, creative activity, inquiry, and teaching. This scholarship fellows program is unique in that it spans three years, centers community-engaged practices and outcomes, supports team-based scholarship, and provides professional development to P2 Fellows. Applications are due October 11, 2019. [Apply through InfoReady Review.](#)



UNCG Referral Desk

The Referral Desk offers assistance to anyone who is looking to access resources and opportunities at UNC Greensboro. We help you find whom you need to know or where to go. Email communityengagement@uncg.edu or call (336) 505-8994.



Welcome to Maya Brooks

ICEE welcomes Maya Brooks as a graduate assistant this year. Maya is a second-year Master's student in the Department of History, with a Museum Studies concentration. Her areas of interest include digital history, museum education and outreach, as well as curatorial work pertaining to the African diaspora. Maya will be primarily focusing on the UNCG Referral Desk, external communications, and Collaboratory.



Upcoming Events at UNCG

Be Here Club

The Be Here Club (BHC) is an informal monthly social/networking gathering intended to make the larger UNC Greensboro community a little smaller. Academic professionals, including faculty, administrators, and staff often operate in insulated channels with diverse responsibilities, therefore making communal socialization, integration, and partnerships challenging. BHC is also a forum to encourage engagement with community members and partners from outside of UNC Greensboro to add to the aesthetic of Greensboro and create real opportunities for societal improvement on a local level. Above all else, the BHC is simply a place to find, and build, camaraderie and comfort for those who call UNCG and Greensboro home. The first gathering of the fall is **August 21 at 5:00p.m.** at Preyer Brewing. [Learn more about upcoming dates and how to connect.](#)

Community Engagement Writing Group

The Community Engagement Writing Learning Community aims to connect community-engaged scholars to explore opportunities and challenges related to writing for scholarly publication through collaborating, networking, and supporting each other's ideas. This group will meet weekly throughout the fall and spring semester. During each weekly meeting we provide individual and collaborative writing space. The purpose of this group is to establish an interdisciplinary community of practice among faculty whose scholarship connects to community engagement. Specific activities of the learning community will

include networking, sharing writing projects and goals, and time for individual or collaborative writing. Periodically, the group will host guest speakers to share their expertise on relevant topics. The fall group **starts August 22nd at 9:00a.m.** Just drop by or [visit the website to learn more.](#)

Community-Engaged Pathways and Partnerships (P2) Info Session

In this information session, ICEE staff will discuss the principles of community-engaged scholarship, community-identified priorities, and collective action. All members of P2 teams are welcome to attend. Participation in this session is not a requirement of the grant application. Workshops are **August 29th, 12:00-1:00p.m. and September 17, 1:30-2:30p.m.** in 3603 MHRA. Grant applications are due October 11, 2019. [Register at to attend.](#)

Collaboratory Workshop

Attend the workshop to learn more about how to feature your public service or community engagement work in Collaboratory. Participants may come to learn broadly about Collaboratory or to learn how to begin entering your own activity. Faculty, staff, students, administrators, and community partners are welcome to attend. Workshops will be held **September 18th from 11:00a.m.- noon and October 8th from 10:00-11:00a.m.** [Register at to attend.](#)

Deepening and Documenting Community-Engaged Scholarship

UNC Greensboro supports community-engaged teaching, research, and service. This brown bag on **October 3rd from noon-1:00p.m.**, will provide a brief overview of community engagement at UNC Greensboro. We will focus on best practices for identifying collaborators within the community, how to get the word out about your community engagement, and how to plan for documenting your community engagement for promotion, tenure, and/or annual reviews. The Institute for Community Engagement and Economic Engagement also creates and curates various resources that are available online at <http://communityengagement.uncg.edu>. [Register at to attend.](#)

Photovoice Remix

On **October 4th from noon-3p.m.**, come engage in discussion about photovoice with local experts and practitioners. Small group discussion topics will range from photovoice 101, to pedagogical application, to advancing the methodology. Find ways to connect through future collaborations around photovoice. This session is part of the Community Engagement Speaker Series co-sponsored by the Institute for Community and Economic Engagement and the Office of Leadership and Civic Engagement. Register by emailing communityengagement@uncg.edu to receive finalized details about this event.

Upcoming Deadlines

"Deadlines from the Field" Calendar

Keeping track of conference dates, call for proposals, award deadlines, etc. can be overwhelming. ICEE has designed a resource to help you keep track of these deadlines from the community engagement field. This sharable [calendar](#) is updated regularly to make local, regional, national, and international opportunities more accessible to you. You can view the calendar by visiting our website or add it to your google calendar list for more immediate access.

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