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January 2020 Newsletter

UNCG's outlet for engagement and outreach spotlights, announcements, upcoming events, funding opportunities, publications, resources, and more!

Director's Note

In the spirit of celebrating the new decade, we are celebrating the many great achievements of our community-engaged scholars! We hope you'll spend a few moments cruising through this newsletter to see some of these accomplishments, including a national award, a spotlight on NPR's State of Things, and a new cohort of Partnerships and Pathways scholars! What are your goals for this year? This decade? Whatever they are, we wish you the best and are here to support your community-engaged endeavors!

Sincerely,
Emily M. Janke, PhD
Director

Feature

National Recognition for Community Impact

Congratulations to Sharon Morrison, Sudha Shreeniwas, Andrew Young and the Montagnard Dega Association/Montagnard American Organization for work on the Montagnard/Southeast Asian Community Disparities Research Network which received the inaugural Community Impact and Outcomes Award given by the International Association for Research on Service-Learning and Community Engagement. This award recognizes service-learning and research carried out in partnership with communities to address the priorities of community stakeholders, which are guided by principles of reciprocity, mutual respect, shared authority, and co-creation, and which have produced measurable and sustained impact.



Cohort 3: Community Engaged Pathways and Partnerships (P2) Grant: A Collective Scholarship Fellows Program

The Community-Engaged Pathways and Partnerships Collective Scholarship 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. In 2020, a third cohort of grant teams will begin the three-year fellows program. One team will focus on integrating social workers into the public libraries with partners from Greensboro Public Library, High Point Public Library, Library Information Sciences, and the Joint Master of Social Work Program including faculty from UNCG and NC A&T. Another team will be fostering relationships between the School of Art and the Industries of the Blind through a public art project. [See a full list of grant team members here.](#)



Upcoming Events at UNCG

Arts, Humanities, and Design in Public Life: A Visit from Imagining America

Institute of Community and Economic Engagement is hosting two special events featuring Erica Kohl-Arenas and Mina Para Matlon from Imagining America January 22-23rd. Imagining America is an association that supports the arts, humanities, and design in public life. The first event is titled "Creative Culture as a Site of Liberation: Exploring the Messiness of Public Work in the Arts, Design, and Humanities," a dialogue on community knowledge making and tapping into the power of public imagination. The second is a special event hosted by the Community Engagement Writing Group focused on valuing publicly engaged scholarship and pedagogy in higher education. [More details here.](#)



Deepening and Documenting Community-Engaged Scholarship

UNC Greensboro supports community-engaged teaching, research, and service. This brown bag workshop will provide a brief overview of community engagement at UNCG. 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. Attend April 15, 2020 from 12-1pm, by registering at <https://workshops.uncg.edu>.



Sharing UNCG Scholarship and Leadership

Center for Housing and Community Studies' Tenant Leadership Academy

The Tenant Leadership Academy is a training program for tenant organizers. CHCS recruits tenants from low-income apartment communities in Greensboro. Tenants are invited to participate in twelve to eighteen workshops in six sessions held over a twelve-week period, covering topics that include tenant rights and obligations, access to resources, history of housing and spatial disparities in housing quality, development of leadership skills and a series of workshops on creating and implementing a tenant association. Participants are paid \$250 for approximately 25 hours' work. Graduates become members of a network of organizers who share ideas and collaborate on initiatives to improve conditions, promote collective action and advocate on housing-related policy issues.



P2 Grant Team on NPR

Well Crafted NC was featured on WUNC's "The State of Things" on Tuesday, January 14th for "The History of Beer in North Carolina." Well Crafted NC (with representatives from University Libraries), along with partners from the Triad Brewers Alliance, The Beer Law Center, and UNCG's Department of Marketing, Entrepreneurship, Hospitality, and Tourism are working to document and publicize the history of beer in North Carolina with support from ICEE's Community Engagement Pathways and Partnerships Grant.



Spotlight on Resources

Faculty First Awards

Faculty may apply for Faculty First Awards from now until February 28, 2020 at 5pm. Faculty First Awards typically fund summer scholarship. Awardees will be expected to participate in a proposed Fall 2021 ORE Research Forum event. Applicants will submit their application using UNCG's instance of InfoReady Review at: [2020 Faculty First Award Program Submission Portal](#).



ICEE Community Engagement Fellows

ICEE Community Engagement Fellows bring together faculty, staff, administrators, students, and community members to advance community engagement at UNC

Greensboro and beyond. We invite you to explore the 2020 opportunities to enhance your community-engaged practices. Fellows and topics include:

Community Engagement Writing Group

The Community Engagement Writing Group 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. The Community Engagement Writing Group began meeting weekly during the Fall 2018 semester. The group will continue to meet weekly. Over the next year, we aim to explore strategies to support community engagement and writing, build alliances with similar groups on campus, and build a community of practice around writing and community engagement.



Be Here Club

The Be Here Club (BHC) is an informal monthly social/networking gathering intended to make the larger UNCG Community 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 UNCG 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.



Announcements

2020 PACE Conference

Faculty, staff, and administrators are invited to attend this daylong conference to grow and share the practice and scholarship of engagement. Plenary and breakout sessions inform and advance research and practice of community engagement by sharing research findings, innovative program design and partnership models, proven community/institutional impacts, effective curriculum or co-curricular models, institutional capacity building and institutionalization, and successful community engagement practices. The conference will take place on February 12, 2020 at Elon University. The keynote speaker is Dr. Jennifer Domagal-Goldman, executive director of ALL IN Campus Democracy Challenge at Civic Nation.



Pathways to Achieving Civic Engagement Conference

New Website for CVPA Community-Engaged Activities

The College of Visual and Performing Arts launches a [new website portal](#) for their community engaged activities. The site includes educational programs for youth to seniors, and information about the CVPA's many community-based events and activities, including Greensboro Project Space, Dancers Connect, Summer Music Camp, North Carolina Theatre for Young People, and more. Community educational programs and activities are a way that CVPA and community partners collectively build ongoing, permanent relationships for social benefits and outcomes. All of the educational programs and activities are teaching CVPA students how to become community-based artists during their time in Greensboro and equipping them with skills for a career in the arts.



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Featured Resources

Collaboratory®

Collaboratory is a publicly searchable, online database that shares an institutional story about who, what, where, with whom, and to what ends community-university partners are working towards community-identified priorities for shared learning and mutual benefits. Over 100 public service and community-engagement activities are live in Collaboratory. Take time to explore how UNC Greensboro is collaborating with external partners to transform students, knowledge, and the region. To begin sharing your work through Collaboratory, contact Lori Kniffin, lekniffi@uncg.edu or visit [UNCG's Collaboratory portal](#).

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UNCG Referral Desk

The Referral Desk, hosted by [Institute for Community and Economic Engagement](#), was created to serve as a user-friendly point of entry to UNC Greensboro for local community members and organizations. The Referral Desk is also available to members of UNC Greensboro who are interested in working with the community or connecting with faculty in other disciplines as part of their teaching or research. UNC Greensboro is committed to providing personalized attention to community inquiries and requests as well as excellent and clear communication about the ways in which individuals, groups, organizations, and sectors connect to UNC Greensboro's faculty, staff, and students (and vice versa!). The Referral Desk can be reached during business hours



via both telephone and email: (336) 505-8994, communityengagement@uncg.edu. Click [here](#) for more info.

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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