U-Serve – Week of 1/30/13

Information and resources for those involved with service-learning at the University of South Carolina.

You are receiving this email because you have expressed interest in information about service-learning at the University of South Carolina. If you no longer wish to receive these updates, please respond to this email.

Updates & Announcements
Maymester 2013: Senegal, Africa
Service-Learning in the French-Speaking World: Senegal
Informational Meeting: January 30, 7pm, Humanities 403
This cross-cultural, service-learning experience provides students with an opportunity to create hands-on experiences with service-learning at Bambey High School in the french-speaking country of Senegal. There will be an informational meeting TONIGHT at 7:00pm in the Humanities Classroom Building Room 403. For more information, feel free to contact garanej@mailbox.sc.edu or check out the Facebook page here.

National Student Exchange
Upcoming Information Sessions and Application Deadline!
The National Student Exchange (NSE) is offering several information sessions this month! The priority application deadline to study away with NSE in the fall of 2013 or spring 2014 is JANUARY 31, 2013. This is a great opportunity for students to experience a different culture! NSE allows USC students to study at one of nearly 200 universities across the US, US territories, and Canada. Come to learn all about the NSE, where you can go, how much it will cost, but most of all, why the NSE is such an amazing opportunity! For more information about NSE, contact Kasha Klinegores (nse@sc.edu or 803-777-6731) or visit our website (www.sc.edu/nse) to learn more about information sessions being held throughout this month!

Partnering in Tough Times: Service-Learning for Economic Vitality
California Campus Compact
Social Innovation Generation: California Recovery and Renewal Initiative (SIG:CARE) was part of California Campus Compact’s three-year initiative from 2009 – 2012 which focused on catalyzing and mobilizing colleges and universities to aid in the state’s recovery and renewal through service, service-learning and inventive solutions embedded in social entrepreneurship, microfinance and social investment. With support from the Corporation for National and Community Service, Learn and Serve America, six California universities received two-year grants to serve as lead institutions. Together these campuses collaborated with more than 300 community organizations. This paper provides a perspective on civic engagement and economic well-being by focusing on the results and lessons of the SIG:CARE initiative. Download the paper here.
The International Undergraduate Journal of Service-learning, Leadership and Social Change

Spring Edition

The Spring Edition of *The International Undergraduate Journal of Service-learning, Leadership and Social Change* has just been released. Check out the latest offering at [http://www.columbiasc.edu/service-learning-journal](http://www.columbiasc.edu/service-learning-journal).

**USC/Local Engaged Scholarship and Recognition Opportunities**

**Magellan Scholar Grant Proposals**

*Deadline: February 21*

Do you have a project that an undergraduate could help with? Are you already working with a student on a project? Each Magellan Scholar receives up to $3,000 to help fund a research project, competing for this award with the submission of a research, scholarship, or creative project proposal developed in collaboration with his or her faculty mentor. Selection is based on the project's educational and intellectual merit, the potential impact of the project, and the student's previous academic success. More information at [www.sc.edu/our/magellan.shtml](http://www.sc.edu/our/magellan.shtml).

**Newman Civic Fellows Award 2013**

*Deadline: March 1*

The Newman Civic Fellows Award honors inspiring college student leaders who have demonstrated an investment in finding solutions for challenges facing communities throughout the country. Through service, research, and advocacy, Newman Civic Fellows are making the most of their college experiences to better understand themselves, the root causes of social issues, and effective mechanisms for creating lasting change. These students represent the next generation of public problem solvers and civic leaders. They serve as national examples of the role that higher education can—and does—play in building a better world. Learn more information [here](http).

**4th Annual Hero Awards**

*Deadline: March 1*

Do you know a University of South Carolina student, faculty or staff member who has stood up to help a campus community member in a manner that had a significant impact on that person's life? Nominate them for a Hero Award. Students, faculty and staff are all invited to nominate heroes. Nominations are accepted for Hero Awards year-round, but must be submitted by March 1, 2013 for recognition in the Hero Awards Ceremony, which will take place March 27, 2013 at 9 a.m. in the Russell House Ballroom. Nominate your hero at [www.sa.sc.edu/shs/savip/hero](http://www.sa.sc.edu/shs/savip/hero).

**The Thomas Ehrlich Civically Engaged Faculty Award**

*Deadline: March 29*

The Thomas Ehrlich Civically Engaged Faculty Award recognizes one senior faculty member (post-tenure or middle-to-late career at institutions without tenure) each year. Honorees are recognized for exemplary engaged scholarship, including leadership in advancing students’ civic learning, conducting community-based research, fostering reciprocal community partnerships,
building institutional commitments to service-learning and civic engagement, and other means of enhancing higher education’s contributions to the public good. Learn more here.

**Ernest A. Lynton Award for the Scholarship of Engagement for Early Career Faculty**
*Deadline: April 26*

The annual Ernest A. Lynton Award for the Scholarship of Engagement for Early Career Faculty recognizes a faculty member who connects his or her teaching, research, and service to community engagement. The Lynton Award is designated as an award for early career faculty who are pre-tenure at tenure-granting campuses or early career--within the first six years--at campuses with long-term contracts. Find our more information here.

**Everyday Young Hero Award**
*Deadline: Ongoing*

Awarded weekly to a young person from around the world who exemplifies an extraordinary commitment to service, the Everyday Young Hero Award program is open to youth ages 5-25. Nominations must come from a parent, teacher or other adult mentor. Winners are announced in the NSB, featured on YSA’s website and showcased within its social media outlets. Everyday Young Heroes also receive a certificate, award and press release. Learn more at http://www.ysa.org/awards/hero.

**Faculty/Staff Conferences or Professional Development Events**

**CCNCCE 22nd Annual International Conference**
*May 22-24, Scottsdale, AZ*
*Proposal Deadline: February 8*

The Community College National Center for Community Engagement (CCNCCE) invites you to submit a proposal to present at its 22nd annual international conference, May 22-24, 2013. The 2013 conference theme is Service in a Civil Society: Transformational Leaders for Shared Values and Collective Impact. The conference goal is to provide and enhance the participant's knowledge on how to utilize service-learning and civic engagement strategies to meet the academic and civic needs of their students while serving their communities. Find more information here.

**Upper Midwest Civic Engagement Summit**
*May 29-30, Loras College, Dubuque, IA*
*Proposal Deadline: February 11*

The Summit will provide opportunities for faculty, professional staff, student and community leaders interested in higher education civic engagement activities to network and learn from one another while engaging in skill-building sessions as well as discussing challenging issues facing our communities. More than 180 colleagues attended the inaugural Summit in St. Paul. Each session proposal should relate to the 2013 summit theme: Weaving Deep Connections Across Institutions and Communities. Find out more here.

**24th Annual National Service-Learning Conference**
March 13-15, Denver, CO

Late Registration Deadline: February 15

We couldn’t be more excited about the 24th Annual National Service-Learning Conference, Without Limits, happening in Denver, CO on March 13-15, 2013. Be sure to also connect with us on Facebook (www.facebook.com/nylcorg) and tweet with us using the #nylc13 hashtag on Twitter (@nylcorg) for more updates about the Without Limits conference. Register online at www.nylc.org/conference by December 14 to avoid the late registration increase.

The William & Mary Active Citizens Conference
February 15-16, Williamsburg, VA

Join students, faculty, and community leaders coming together to learn about the best practices for impacting community and mobilizing social change. Register today at http://www.wm.edu/offices/oce/activecitizensconference/registration/index.php.

Gulf South Summit on Service-Learning and Civic Engagement
February 27 - March 1, Louisville, KY

Kentucky Campus Compact and its member institutions will host the 2013 Gulf South Summit in Louisville, Kentucky, Feb. 27-March 1, 2013. This year’s conference theme: “Re-Engaging Democracy in the 21st Century: Preparing Students to Lead Civic-Minded Lives.” The recent publication, “A Crucible Moment: College Learning and Democracy’s Future,” calls on the nation to reclaim higher education’s civic mission…Calling on educators and public leaders to advance a 21st century vision of college learning for students—a vision with civic learning and democratic engagement an expected part of every student’s college education.” Visit the conference website at http://kycompact.nku.edu/conference-home.

14th Annual Conference of the Engagement Scholarship Consortium
October 8-9, Lubbock, TX

Proposal Deadline: March 15

The Engaged Scholarship Consortium (formerly the National Outreach Scholarship Conference) invites session and poster proposals from higher education faculty, staff, and students, as well as community partners. The 2013 ESC Meeting will be held at Texas Tech University, in Lubbock, Texas, October 8 & 9, 2013. Find our more information at http://www.engagementscholarship.org/conference/esc-2013-meeting.

6th Annual Global Service-Learning Institute
May 29-31, Ithaca, NY

The 6th annual Global Service-Learning Institute will build upon established institute strengths in global service-learning pedagogy and program development, while also integrating more explicit attention to best practices in community-based planning, community development, and movement-building within global service-learning. This year’s institute will provide participants with the opportunity to further develop their global service-learning programs – whether they are novice or advanced – and it will also employ structured consideration of the concept of Fair Trade Learning and its associated commitments to community partners and program transparency. Find out more here.
Funding/Publication Opportunities

**J.W. McConnell Family Foundation: Community Service Learning Awards**

**Deadline: January 31**
In 2011, the J.W. McConnell Family Foundation launched an annual CSL Awards program to celebrate the most innovative CSL initiatives, while encouraging post-secondary institutions and communities to continue the promising work that has begun. The awards will go to community projects that are being jointly supported by community organizations and post-secondary institutions through CSL. A total of $30,000 is available for up to four awards of $7,500 each. In addition, their accomplishments will be celebrated in a video and at a national event. Find out more [here](#).

**Sodexo Foundation Youth Grants**

**Deadline: January 31**
More than 16 million children live in food insecure homes, not always sure where their next meal will come from. That's why YSA and Sodexo Foundation are calling on young people to "take hunger personally" and join the fight to end childhood hunger. Sodexo Foundation Youth Grants of $500 grants are available for youth-led service projects that bring together young people, families, Sodexo employees and other community members to address childhood hunger. U.S. young people, ages 5-25, are eligible to apply. Projects will take place on or around Global Youth Service Day, April 26-28, 2013. Apply at [http://www.ysa.org/grants/sodexoyouth](http://www.ysa.org/grants/sodexoyouth).

**Journal of Public Scholarship in Higher Education**

**Deadline: February 1**
The Journal of Public Scholarship in Higher Education (JPSHE) showcases the new disciplinary knowledge and pedagogical practice generated when faculty engage with communities. In doing so, the journal promotes community engaged teaching, research, and service as forms of public scholarship. A national and international refereed academic journal, JPSHE's primary authors and audiences are faculty, staff, and administrative leadership in higher education. JPSHE aims to stimulate dialogue about the ways that community engagement affects the nature and scope of faculty work and, in doing so, transforms our disciplines and institutions. See the Call for Papers [here](#).

**Kresge Foundation Arts and Community Building**

**Deadline: February 1**
The Kresge Foundation supports efforts that create access and opportunity in underserved communities. The Foundation's Arts and Community Building program is shaped by six principles: (1) Community cultural development is a growing field with minimal national infrastructure; (2) The structure and dynamics of community cultural ecosystems are not well understood; (3) Cultural development is local; (4) Local community development requires an indigenous support system; (5) Effective community cultural development requires sustained engagement; and (6) Arts-centered community building is inherently complex because it involves other community sectors such as social services, community development and public
Partnerships: A Journal of Service-Learning and Civic Engagement  
**Abstract Deadline: February 15**

Partnerships is a multi-disciplinary, open access, peer-reviewed journal, exploring "effective partnerships between students, faculty, community agencies, administrators, disciplines" in higher education. This special issue will further expand the discussion of "democratic thinking": what it looks like, if it is a goal higher educators should have, how one acquires it, and how/if it can be taught. See the Call for Proposals here.

Dollar General Literacy Foundation  
**Deadline: February 28**

Dollar General Literacy Foundation invites applications for Adult Literacy Grants for nonprofit organizations that provide direct service to adults in need of literacy assistance. Organizations must provide help in one of the following instructional areas: adult basic education, general education diploma (GED) preparation, or English language acquisition. Find out more information here.

Journal of Community Engagement and Scholarship  
**Manuscript Deadline: March 1**

The Journal of Community Engagement and Scholarship (JCES) seeks manuscripts related to the theme PARTNER. INSPIRE. CHANGE. and any of these three tracks: Voice of the Student/Young Scholar, Voice of the Community-Partner Scholar, and Voice of the Senior Engaged Scholar. See the Call for Manuscripts at http://jces.ua.edu/call-for-manuscripts-for-a-special-issue-of-jces/.

Journal of Community Practice  
**Papers Deadline: April 1**

The Journal of Community Practice, an interdisciplinary journal designed to provide a forum for community practice, announces a call for papers to appear in a special issue of the journal related to the theme "Interdisciplinary Scholarship for Community Practice", guest edited by Lorraine M. Gutierrez, Larry Gant and Katie Richards Schuster of the University of Michigan. Find more information here.

Peace First Prize  
**Deadline: April 12**

Campus Compact recently announced a partnership with Peace First to launch a new national campaign to celebrate young people leading change to create peaceful schools and communities. **Five young people between the ages of 8 and 22 will each receive $50,000 and a two-year Fellowship** to recognize their peacemaking work and invest in their leadership. This is a great opportunity to engage staff, alumni and youth to nominate young leaders for the Prize. Young people can also apply directly themselves. Winners will be chosen on these key criteria: compassion, courage, and the ability to engage others in creating positive change. Go to http://www.peacefirst.org/prize/ to share the Prize with a young person you know or nominate them today!
Do Something Seed Grants

**Deadline: Ongoing, one grant awarded weekly**

These $500 grants are for youth-led (25 and under) project ideas and programs that are just getting started, or to jump-start a program. These grants can also be used towards projects that are already developed and sustainable, towards the next steps of a project and organization to help expand the project and increase impact. Learn more at [http://www.dosomething.org/grants/seed-grants](http://www.dosomething.org/grants/seed-grants).

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