Topical Faculty Roundtable Luncheons ~ Fall 2014

The Center for Civic Engagement is hosting informal luncheons for faculty to discuss their teaching and research with colleagues from across campus and identify potential common areas of interest or points of synergy.

How to Create Meaningful Cross-Cultural Interactions

Date: Mon. Oct. 27, 2014  
Time: 11:30 am — 12:45 pm  
Location: UU 124

This roundtable will explore how we aim to engage students in our classes in meaningful cross-cultural experiences outside the classroom. We will explore the benefits and challenges of cross-cultural interactions in both local and international communities. Possible topics of discussion include: how to best prepare students for cross-cultural interactions, how these experiences facilitate learning, or exploring domestic and international cultural opportunities that are available. Associate Professor Nadia Rubaii and Assistant Professor Susan Appe will be available to share their experiences facilitating cross-cultural learning in South America. Please RSVP by Thurs. Oct. 23.

Students Researching in the Community:  
Best Practices and Challenges

Date: Tues. Nov. 4, 2014  
Time: 11:30 am — 12:45 pm  
Location: IASH Conference Room (LN 1106)

Community-based research provides valuable hands-on experience, but may involve logistical or ethical challenges, especially when these projects aim to satisfy a community need. This roundtable will explore the challenges of conducting student research in collaboration with community organizations or in response to a public issue. Associate Professor Kristina Lambright and Professor Ralph Garruto will share their experiences conducting community-based research with students. We look forward to hearing your ideas concerning this increasingly-salient topic. Please RSVP by Thurs. Oct. 30.

The Purpose of Community-Based Learning:  
How is Value Added?

Date: Thurs. Nov. 13, 2014  
Time: 11:30 am — 12:45 pm  
Location: Graduate Student Lounge, Library Tower (across from Jazzman’s Café)

This roundtable will explore the values that inform practices such as project-based courses, service-learning and community engagement. Possible topics include: the purpose of engaging students in off-campus projects, be it for philanthropy, volunteerism or social change; the value these experiences add to classroom learning, and how communities may benefit. Chair and Associate Professor David Campbell, Associate Professor Lisa Yun, and Assistant Professor Dina Naples-Layish will be on hand to share their experiences with service-learning. We look forward to a dynamic discussion. Participants will also be asked to recommend topics for sessions at the Service-learning Institute to be held in the spring. Please RSVP by Mon. Nov. 10.

All faculty, graduate assistants, and adjunct instructors are welcome to attend.  
Contact Jessica Arends, Faculty Engagement Associate, to reserve your seat and meal.  
Seating is limited so register early.

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