



CEL Faculty Fellows Announced

Thanks to funding from the [Slay Fund for Social Justice](#) and the Olson Endowment for Global Service-Learning, the Office of Community Engaged Learning is able to support two faculty fellows to advance the work of community engaged learning on Drake's campus. We are excited to announce Dr. Sandra Patton-Imani, Associate Professor of American Studies, as the Slay Fellow for Community Engaged Learning, and Dr. Sara Johnston, Associate Professor of Occupational Therapy, as the Olson Fellow for Global Service-Learning.

You can read more about their past experience with community engaged learning work and their role as Fellows on our blog.

[Read More](#)

Global Citizen Forum 2020

International Perspectives on Privilege, March 4-6, 2020

Faculty teaching spring courses, please consider including participation the Global Citizen Forum as a part of your course. Highlights of the Forum are below:

- **Tuesday, March 3 - "When Good Intentions Are Not Enough" - a student workshop focused on creating equitable and inclusive service 7pm in the Olmsted Conference Rooms.** Using a design thinking process, this workshop will engage students in hands-on activities and discussions that explore the importance of diverse representation within volunteer and service opportunities as well as the barriers that prevent diversity within volunteering. This workshop requires participation of students from various backgrounds, lived experiences, majors and interests in order to be successful. Whether you are currently involved in service activities, recruiting volunteers, organizing community events or have wanted to get involved but don't know how, this workshop is for you. [Registration required](#)
- **Wednesday, March 4 - Dr. Debanuj DasGupta will present a keynote** on the topic of exploring transnational understandings of sexuality and gender identity at 4pm in Sussman Theater. Dr. DasGupta will also be available to visit classes March 4 and 5- contact melissa.sturm-smith@drake.edu if interested.
- **Thursday, March 5: Comedian Hayden Kristal, 7pm, Pom Stage** - Brooklyn-based former zookeeper who gave up a lucrative career in salamanders to pursue comedy and public speaking, will speak on topics of diversity and intersectionality. Presented by SAB.
- **Friday, March 6- Student Research Symposium - 9am-noon, various rooms in Collier-Scripps Hall.** This symposium will allow students to feature their research and will be complemented by faculty-led workshops on research/paper development support. If you have read any outstanding student papers on a global topic or you anticipate having appropriate papers developed this semester even if they are in the concept stage, please encourage those students to submit the papers or concepts to jimmy.senteza@drake.edu by Feb. 1 for consideration. The email should bear the subject line "2020 GCF submission."

[Learn More](#)

Des Moines Engaged Faculty Institute

May 27-28, 2020, Grand View University

This institute will focus on incorporating service-learning and community engagement activities into courses in ways that align with course learning goals, enhance student growth and civic awareness, and strengthen our community. Participants will design a service-learning project for a course in partnership with a community agency. All participants selected will need to identify a syllabus to create or revise, take a pre-survey, and complete a reading prior to the institute. If accepted, both **the faculty member and community partner will receive a \$250 stipend.** Questions can be directed to renee.sedlacek@drake.edu.

[Apply](#)


Campus Compact

Nominations Being Accepted for Engaged Campus Awards

Iowa Campus Compact is accepting nominations for the Engaged Campus Awards. Nominations are due Feb. 24, 2020.

-Emerging Innovation Award: A recent project, program, or initiative making unique and innovative contributions that demonstrate strong future potential, including student-led projects

-Community Collaboration Award: A collaboration co-created with community organizations, leaders, and/or partners that is deep, reciprocal, and transformational

Civic-Minded Employer Award: An Iowa business nominated by a member institution for its commitment to corporate social responsibility and employee engagement in community

Alumni Leadership Award: An alum of a member institution making strong contributions to their community and demonstrating the values of the civic mission of higher education

[Click here for more information or to make a nomination.](#)

Service Through the Black Panther Party Survival Programs

Wednesday, Feb. 26, 6pm at Sussman Theater in Olmsted. As a part of Black History Month, students, faculty and staff, and the community are invited to learn about the Black Panther Party impact in Des Moines through their community service efforts. A panel of individuals, including State Representative Ako Abdul-Samad, will speak about their role in these programs and how they've made a lasting impact. The event will also showcase an exhibit of photos that chronologically display the history of the Black Panther Party in relation to the Drake Neighborhood.

Please consider including this event in your syllabus or inviting your students to attend. Contact Jazlin Coley, Service Coordinator for Equity and Inclusion in the Office of Community Engaged Learning, at jazlin.coley@drake.edu, for more information.

[RSVP](#)

Mini-Grants Available

Mini-grants are available to support your community engaged learning curriculum. Grants typically range from \$25-\$200.

Applications are also being accepted for the Olson Global Service Learning Match grant. This grant is awarded to student global service-learning projects with faculty/staff support, where funds or in-kind donations have been appropriated but where additional funds would be beneficial.

More information and the applications can be found [here](#).