



Faculty Fellow Positions Available

The Office of Community Engaged Learning is accepting applications for 2 Faculty Fellows for 2020-2022.

The [Faculty Fellow for Global Service-Learning](#) works with the Office of Community Engaged Learning and Drake International to develop and lead the Global Service Learning Community and Travel Seminar.

The [Slay Fellow for Community Engaged Learning](#) leads the CEL Basics Learning Community and supports faculty in one-on-one course and project development.

Faculty Fellow positions are an opportunity for Drake full-time faculty members (non-tenured, tenure-track, or tenured) to expand, deepen, and disseminate their mastery of community engaged learning to others. Fellows will begin their term in Spring 2020 and receive a \$3,000 stipend (\$1,500 in June and \$1,500 in December). In addition to the stipend, there is funding to support participation in scholarly activities such as conferences in support of strengthening or promoting community engagement at Drake.

Faculty interested in serving in either role should send a letter of interest and CV to renee.sedlacek@drake.edu by Dec. 2. The statement of interest should address why you want to serve as a faculty fellow and how this position contributes to your personal, professional, and scholarly development.

The positions are available thanks to the Slay Fund for Social Justice and the Olson Endowment for Global Service-Learning.



Office of CEL places emphasis on equity & inclusion

The Office of Community Engaged Learning is placing an intentional focus on equity and inclusion within service. This year we are excited to welcome full-time AmeriCorps member Jazlin Coley as the Service Coordinator for Equity and Inclusion, and Sydnei Washinton, the Equity and Inclusion Service-Learning Ambassador.



These two individuals have been speaking with representatives of multicultural organizations to learn about their experiences with service, barriers to serving, and ways to better engage people of diverse backgrounds in the community.

Planning your Community Engaged Learning Course

There are many ways to integrate community activities into a course. For resources on how to do this, visit the [Community Engaged Learning Resource Library](#), or schedule a meeting with Director of Community Engaged Learning Renee Sedlacek Lee, renee.sedlacek@drake.edu. In addition to faculty preparation, The Office of Community Engaged Learning can assist with presenting the topic of community engagement & service learning to your class, helping to develop reflection prompts or providing course-specific reflection sessions, providing descriptive information about community partner sites, providing mini grants for supplies and logistical support, and more.

Spring CEL Basics Learning Community

This group meets 5 times throughout the semester for 90 minutes at a time to discuss the book "Service-Learning Essentials: Questions, Answers, and Lessons Learned" by Barbara Jacoby and apply the knowledge learned in this book to effectively connect classroom learning and community engagement. Applications will open in January 2020. [Check this site for more information.](#)

Engaged Faculty Institute

An Engaged Faculty Institute held by Iowa Campus Compact will be held May 27-28, 2020 in Des Moines. The seminar will dive into the components and practices of quality and rigorous community engagement, as well as the opportunity to connect directly with community partners to co-create courses and/or research projects. It is structured for those who are interested in designing a service-learning project *with* their community partner. (If you need help identifying a community partner, contact Renee). [Applications](#) will be accepted on a rolling basis. This experience is limited to 5 instructors and 5 community partners. If accepted, both you and your community partner will receive \$250 for your time related to attending the institute and implementing a service-learning course.



Mini-Grants Available

The Office of Community Engaged Learning offers mini-grants to support community-engaged learning projects done in conjunction with a community partner. Mini-grants typically range anywhere from \$25-\$200. There is also specific funding available for projects with a global service-learning emphasis.

[Learn more and apply for funding](#)

#MillionsofChangemakers

This past summer, Drake University was one of only 64 higher education institutions to be recognized for our commitment to accelerate changemaking. The recognition comes from Ashoka University as a part of its global #MillionsofChangemakers campaign. Ashoka University is the higher education initiative of Ashoka, the world's largest community of changemakers. As a part of the campaign, Drake was recognized for making a commitment to form a Changemaking & Innovation Taskforce. Over the course of the year, the taskforce will work to develop a campus-wide definition of changemaking, evaluate campus interest and resources for changemaker education, explore changemaking curriculum and infrastructure at other campuses, and provide recommendations for integrating a changemaking focus across the Drake experience.

"In an Everyone [is] a Changemaker world, all people have the confidence, skills, and freedom to create change for the good of all," says Jessica Lax, Ashoka U's Growth & Partnerships Director. "With this commitment Drake University is joining Ashoka U's global community of higher education innovators who are collectively activating and equipping the changemakers the world needs. We're thrilled to celebrate Drake's commitment and look forward to sharing it with others through this campaign."

Blackboard access for SL Partners

If you are working with a community partner for a Service-Learning course, there is now an official process to grant partners access to your Blackboard courses. If you would like to request access, contact renee.sedlacek@drake.edu with the following information:

- Reason community partner needs access to Blackboard
- Name of the Course and Course Number in Blackboard
- Name of the Community Partner and their email address

Upcoming Events

- **Civic Action Academy** - Nov. 8-9 in Cedar Falls. This is a unique professional development opportunity for students interested in learning new ways of making a difference and building skills through civic and community engagement. Drake students, faculty and staff can register at the discounted rate of \$25 using the promo code "conference." Students can contact Amanda Martin at amanda.martin@drake.edu for information about scholarships. Please share this opportunity with your community partner. Application deadline is Nov. 1.



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