Community-Engaged Fellows Position Description

Center for Community Engagement to advance Scholarship and Learning and DU Grand Challenges

AY 2023-2024

The Center for Community Engagement to advance Scholarship and Learning (CCESL) understands community engagement to be an approach to academic work emphasizing collaborative, mutually beneficial community partnerships for community impact.

Community-Engaged Fellows advocate for community engagement and pursue community-engaged work. During the academic year, Fellows serve as ambassadors for CCESL, mentor undergraduate students, learn and reflect with their peers, and develop and implement a community-engaged project. Community-engaged projects include scholarship (e.g., as part of their thesis/dissertation research) and other creative, collaborative work. These projects can be ongoing projects, new ideas that Fellows develop, or explorations with community organizations interested in working with DU students. Through these community-engaged projects, Fellows connect their academic and professional endeavors to supporting thriving communities.

Who is Eligible:

Graduate students and 3rd year and above undergraduate students enrolled for the entire 2023-2024 academic year. International students are welcome to apply.

Compensation, Time Commitment, and In-Office Expectations:

- **Pay Rate:** $20.00-$22.50/hour, commensurate with education level and relevant experience
- **Hours:** 10 hours/week for Fall-Spring quarters, with most hours occurring during normal business hours
- **In-office:** At least 4 hours/week in-office or at CCESL-sponsored events, including: weekly 90-minute Fellows meeting and biweekly 1to1 meetings with a CCESL staff member

Responsibilities:

**Community-Engaged Project (e.g., Research, Creative Work, and other Collaborative Work)**

- Create, review, and pursue a personal action plan
- Identify, build relationships with, and actively communicate with community partner(s)
- Co-develop and implement a mutually beneficial collaborative project with community partner(s)
  - Fellows may work to support ongoing projects, including Youth Organizing at Dr. Martin Luther King Early College, the Valverde Movement Project, and Metro Denver Nature Alliance
- Present community-engaged scholarship in relevant academic and community outlets

**Advancing Community Engagement**

- Attend and support CCESL events, activities, and projects
- Give presentations to departments, student organizations, and classes
- Participate in tabling to promote community engagement, and CCESL’s student programs

**Mentoring**

- Facilitate reflection and guidance to undergraduate students involved in community engagement
- Meet with students for biweekly, 30-minute 1to1s
- Support students in writing funding proposals and completing action plans, trainings, and ePortfolios
Peer Learning and Reflection

- Participate in 90-minute Fellows weekly meetings for personal professional development
- Complete all required trainings, readings, and other work related to the position
- Create an ePortfolio (website) that summarizes and reflects upon Fellow’s project/collaborative work

Benefits:

In addition to an hourly wage, Fellows receive access to project funds, community-engaged research opportunities, professional development, and mentorship.

How to Apply:

Applications for the 2023-2024 academic year are now open. Priority deadline for review of applications is April 5th, 2023 at 5 pm MST. Review of applications will continue until the position is filled. Apply here.

More Information:

Learn more about CCESL and the Community-Engaged Fellows Program here. Contact Student Programs Manager John Macikas at John.Macikas@du.edu with questions.