

Week of January 30, 2012

## **WNYSLC News and Updates**

**SAVE THE DATE!** The WNYSLC is pleased to present, “Approaches to Assessment”, presented by CampusLabs on April 4<sup>th</sup> at Buffalo State College. More information to come!

The WNYSLC is on [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#). Be sure to like and follow us to keep on top of all coalition news and service-learning related news on the local and national level!

## **Local News and Events**

1. Community Assistance Small Grants Program
2. Volunteer Coordinator Training Workshop
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5. New Rules for Engaging Corporate Sponsors
6. Proposal Development Workshop
7. Executive Leadership Series
8. Two day grant writing workshop

## **National Conferences and Workshops**

1. Community Engaged Research Across the Disciplines
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4. Intensifying Impact: Civic Engagement Matters
5. Webinar: Service Learning and Addressing Sexual Violence and Abuse on Campus
6. IMPACT National Conference
7. Best Practices for Empowering Community Partners and Educating Students
8. Webinar: Service-Learning in Graduate Professional Education

## **Calls for Proposals and Presentations**

1. Student articles sought for the International Undergraduate Journal for Service Learning, Leadership and Social Change
2. Call for Presentations: Seventh Biennial Faith-Based Service-Learning Conference
3. CCNCCE – Leaders leading Leaders in Service Learning conference
4. Upper Midwest Civic Engagement Summit

## **New Resources**

1. Archive of links pertaining to Global Service-Learning
2. Toolkit for the Evaluation of Service Learning Programs
3. New Website/Newsletter: Service Learning Asia Network
4. Rubric for institutionalizing service learning on campuses

## **Grant Opportunities**

1. Challenge Grants for Two Year Colleges
2. Sustain Our Great Lakes
3. Great Lakes Habitat Restoration Grants
4. Scotts Miracle-Gro Grassroots Grants
5. AstraZeneca HealthCare Foundation

## **Misc.**

1. IARSCLE Editorial Fellows
2. 2012 Newman Civic Fellows Award

3. Eli Segal Fellowship
4. Ernest A. Lynton Award

### Local News and Events

1. The Junior League of Buffalo is pleased to announce the [2011-2012 Community Assistance Small Grants Program](#)'s request for proposals. Qualified not-for-profit agencies throughout Western New York are encouraged to apply for grant funding up to \$1,000. Grants will be awarded to programs that support the current focus area, Families-At-Risk, with special emphasis on female heads of households. Application Deadline: **February 3<sup>rd</sup>**.
2. The Volunteer Center at The Service Collaborative of WNY, Inc. in partnership with The United Way of Buffalo & Erie County is offering a Volunteer Coordinator Training Workshop. The purpose of this workshop is to introduce our partnering agencies to the new volunteer management database software, *HandsOn Connect*, as well as to educate you on the different programs and days of service you can become involved in to bring more volunteers into your agency. Please choose one of the two scheduled workshops: **February 7<sup>th</sup>** from 9AM - 12PM or **February 16<sup>th</sup>** from 1:30PM - 4:30PM. Both will be held at: The United Way of Buffalo & Erie County, 742 Delaware Avenue Buffalo, New York 14209. Please RSVP to [Bernie Miltenberger](#) at 887.2746 by **February 3<sup>rd</sup>**.
3. United Way of Buffalo & Erie County is modifying its funding platform and is seeking feedback from providers before it is finalized. This platform will be used in the Request for Proposals to be issued in early April, 2012. We are offering providers three opportunities to give us feedback on our funding platform, which we will share in draft form: Monday, **February 6**, 8:30 -10:30 a.m., Wednesday, **February 15**, 1:00-3:00 p.m., Wednesday, **February 29**, 1:00-3:00 p.m. Please RSVP to Gail Calisto at 887-2757 or via [email](#).
4. Erie Community College will be presenting a Community Service Fair on all three of their campuses and is inviting community agencies to participate. North Campus on February 13<sup>th</sup>, City Campus on February 15<sup>th</sup> and South Campus on February 16<sup>th</sup>. Please RSVP for one or all three dates to [Gail Calisto](#) by **February 9<sup>th</sup>**.
5. "New Rules for Engaging Corporate Sponsors", presented by Sponsorship Network Plus on **February 15<sup>th</sup>** from 8:00 – 10:30 at Templeton Landing. Attend this fast-paced workshop and understand how any sized nonprofit can identify, entice and secure more sponsors in today's competitive marketplace by understanding the New Rules. Register [online](#).
6. The Center for Professional Development at Canisius College is pleased to present, "[Proposal Development Workshop](#)" on **February 16<sup>th</sup>** from 8:30am – 1:00pm. This workshop will provide an introduction to the basic skills, principals and techniques of successful grant and proposal writing. Please come with your own current proposal needs for discussion.
7. The Center for Professional Development at Canisius College is pleased to present an [Executive Leadership Series](#) for intermediate leaders beginning **March 6<sup>th</sup>**. Reserve your spot now.

8. New England Law Library Consortium (NELLCO) and Grant Writing USA will present a [two-day grants workshop](#) at the University at Buffalo Law Library, **March 15-16**. This training is for grant seekers across all disciplines. Attend this class and you'll learn how to find grants and write winning grant proposals.

### National Conferences and Workshops

1. ["Global Service Learning: Design/Reflection/Connection Workshop Series"](#) a three part webinar to be held **February 7<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, and 14<sup>th</sup>** from 2:00 – 3:45. This three part workshop, led by Dr. Eric Hartman, will enhance your understanding of designing a global service learning program, integrating critical reflection and then connecting the dots upon re-entry, allowing participants to be more informed and active global citizens. More information and registration [here](#).
2. North Carolina Campus Compact presents, ["Intensifying Impact: Civic Engagement Matters"](#) on **February 15<sup>th</sup>**. The 2012 Civic Engagement Institute is dedicated to thinking deeply about how to ensure that community engagement work is sustainable and underscored with deeper partnerships, inter- and intra- institutional collaboration, greater impact, targeted outcomes, and lifelong commitment to engagement by institutions, higher education leaders, and students. Presidents, trustees, provosts, faculty, staff and community partners will engage in intensive discussions about deepening this work of producing civically engaged graduates and strengthening communities.
3. The [2012 National Anti-Hunger Policy Conference](#) in Washington D.C. will take place from **February 26-28**. Anti-hunger advocates, federal, state and local officials, representatives from food pantries and nutrition groups meet to learn how nutrition programs for low income families can be strengthened. They will also discuss innovative ways to end hunger in America.
4. ["Service Learning and Addressing Sexual Violence and Abuse on Campus"](#) a webinar presented on **February 29<sup>th</sup>** from 2:00 – 3:00 will **highlight** a personal story of violence and the work to engage students, other faculty, administrators, and community partners in reducing sexual assault and dating violence. Examples of both curricular and co-curricular programs that bring awareness, educate, and provide victim services will be highlighted. Finally, the speakers will facilitate discussion about obstacles and opportunities that exist on our campuses today.
5. [IMPACT National Conference](#) is historically the largest annual conference in the nation focused on engaging college students in community service, service-learning, community-based research, advocacy and social action. The conference will feature over 70 workshops that will help you and your campus to gain new ideas and insights, sharpen your leadership skills, and enhance your service and advocacy programs. Specific to service learning will be how to transform your learning experiences with best practices from the field of service learning, research, and students taking initiative to combine their service and academics. The conference will be taking place at Stetson University from **March 29 – April 1**.
6. Save the Date - 4<sup>th</sup> Annual NYMAPS Symposium, ["Best Practices for Empowering Community Partners and Educating Students"](#) will be held on **March 30<sup>th</sup>** at St. John's University Manhattan Campus. The Annual Symposium features concurrent workshops/presentations led by faculty members, community organization representatives, and students (individually or collaborating to present).

7. [“Service-Learning in Graduate Professional Education.”](#) a webinar presented on **April 5<sup>th</sup> at 3pm-4:30pm** will explore the challenges and opportunities involved in implementing service-learning in a graduate professional education setting. We will discuss ways of overcoming challenges and tips for success. We will describe a few examples of existing curricula at UCSF, including learner and community partner perspectives.

### Call for Proposals and Papers

1. The [International Undergraduate Journal for Service-Learning, Leadership, and Social Change](#) is seeking article submissions from students. The journal considers three types of articles: Articles that discuss the development of a service-learning project and the impact of the project on the community served; a case study of a service-learning project; a reflection on service-learning and the development of personal leadership. Submissions should be emailed in word format to [Joyce Fields](#) and [Ned Laff](#) by **February 15<sup>th</sup>**.
2. Call for presentations for the Seventh Biennial Faith-Based Service-Learning conference, [“Serving Our Neighbors: Learning Across the Lines that Divide Us”](#) for teaching faculty, co-curricular faculty, administrators, students, and community partners interested in the interactions between spirituality and faith perspectives and service-learning will be held at Messiah College, May 31-June 2. Proposal Deadline: **February 15<sup>th</sup>**.
3. Community College National Center for Civic Engagement invites you to collaborate with your colleagues to submit a proposal for the 2012 Annual National Conference – [“Leaders Leading Leaders in Service Learning and Civic Engagement”](#) on **May 23-25**, in Scottsdale, Arizona. As you prepare your proposals please keep in mind the three major focuses of this year’s conference: *Leadership, Technology, and Higher Education’s Mission to Civic Learning and Democratic Engagement*. How is higher education meeting its civic and democratic mission? How is higher education preparing our current and future students to be the next leaders: teachers, firemen, CEO’s, entrepreneurs, health providers, service learning directors, etc.? How is higher education utilizing technology and social media to build an educated caring community, deliver the stories, inspire others, and share the voices of all? How is higher education supporting its students, faculty, administrators and communities to embrace a “We Not Just Me” culture?
4. Iowa, Minnesota and Wisconsin Campus Compacts invite you to present and join us for the first annual [Upper Midwest Civic Engagement Summit, June 5-6](#) at Macalester College in St. Paul Minnesota. 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 and campuses. Proposals due: **February 24<sup>th</sup>** and may be submitted [here](#).

### New Resources

1. [What DO we know about Global Service-Learning?](#) provides information and links to other resources that focus on the topic of Global Service-Learning. “It’s clear through

these sources and elsewhere that global service-learning offers considerable risk and the possibility of significant reward – for educators, community members, and students, together. More evaluation and better program development is needed. Yet we also need to better understand the considerable resources that already exist. The vision behind this website is to offer free teaching materials, community development approaches, and reflective resources.

2. The [Toolkit for the Evaluation of Service-Learning Programs](#) is divided into four parts: general evaluation guidelines for service-learning; developing a rigorous evaluation for service-learning; design instruments and recruitment materials from the national evaluation; and an annotated bibliography based on literature reviews conducted for the national evaluation.
3. The Service Learning Asia Network has recently launched a new [website](#) and [newsletter](#) to promote the common interests and networks of student exchanges, faculty research, curriculum development and program evaluation among colleges and universities interested in Service-Learning in Asia.
4. The service learning higher education listserv recently discussed the topic of service learning rubrics. [Indiana Campus Compact](#) made available the rubric they designed for institutionalizing service learning on campuses.

## Grant Opportunities

1. [Sustain Our Great Lakes](#), a public-private partnership seeks to sustain, restore, and protect fish, wildlife, and habitat in the Great Lakes basin by leveraging funding, building conservation capacity, and focusing partners and resources toward key ecological issues. The program achieves this mission, in part, by awarding grants for in-the-water/on-the-ground habitat restoration and enhancement. Pre-proposals are due by **February 15<sup>th</sup>**.
2. The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration [Great Lakes Habitat Restoration Program](#) provides support for activities designed to restore Great Lakes coastal habitats. Proposed activities should support the Great Lakes Regional Collaboration Strategy and have strong on-the-ground habitat restoration components that provide social and economic benefits for people and their communities in addition to long-term ecological habitat improvements. Application Deadline: **February 16<sup>th</sup>**
3. The Scotts Miracle-Gro Company is accepting applications for its [GRO1000 Grassroots Grant awards](#). As part of the GRO1000 program Grassroots Grants will be awarded to organizations across the United States working to create edible gardens, flower gardens, and public green spaces at the neighborhood and community levels. Applicants must be U.S.-based nonprofit 501(c)(3) organizations. Groups and projects without 501(c)(3) status may apply using an eligible fiscal sponsor. Application Deadline: **February 24<sup>th</sup>**.

4. [Connections for Cardiovascular Health](#)'s mission is to improve cardiovascular health within the United States. Through the program, grants of \$150,000 and more are awarded to U.S.-based nonprofit organizations for initiatives that address patient cardiovascular health issues, work to address unmet needs related to cardiovascular health in the community, respond to the urgency around cardiovascular health issues, and improve patients' lives in connection with the services provided. Application Deadline: **March 15<sup>th</sup>**.

#### **Misc.**

1. The International Association for Research on Service-Learning and Community Engagement (IARSLCE) is soliciting applications for [2012/2013 Conference Proceedings Editorial Fellows](#). The Conference Proceedings Editorial Fellows (EFs) co-create and publish the new online IARSLCE Annual Conference Proceedings. This publication is intended to increase the public visibility of research related to service-learning and community engagement and to facilitate communication and collaboration among researchers and practitioner-scholars. The Editorial Fellow role offers professional development, collaboration and co-construction of scholarly products, and participation in an international learning community. The emphasis is on creating an intentional process-oriented opportunity that attends to community-building, reflection, and shared decision-making. Applications are due **February 10<sup>th</sup>**.
2. Nominations are being accepted for the [2012 Newman Civic Fellows Award](#) through Campus Compact. 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. Application Deadline: **February 21<sup>st</sup>**.
3. The Corporation for National and Community Service is seeking applications from former AmeriCorps members who are interested in serving as the 2012-2013 [Eli Segal Fellow](#). The duties of the selected fellow will include working with the Director of AmeriCorps, program offices and closely with the CEO's office on projects that advance the national service field. The fellowship will last for a term of not more than 13 months beginning in July 2012 and includes a \$27,000 salary, plus benefits. Eligible applicants for the fellowship include all AmeriCorps alums who served full-time in the past three years. Application Deadline: **February 27<sup>th</sup>**.
4. NERCHE's annual [Ernest A. Lynton Award for the Scholarship of Engagement for Early Career Faculty](#) recognizes a faculty member who is pre-tenure at tenure granting institutions. The Lynton Award emphasizes community-based scholarly work across faculty roles. Nomination Deadline: **April 27<sup>th</sup>**.

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