

UNO Service Learning Academy Faculty Fellows 2018 Application

OVERVIEW	
Amount of Support	A one-time, \$10,000.00 stipend to the selected faculty member plus \$1500 professional development. This is a two-month appointment from June 1 to August 1, 2018, with one project implementation each semester the 2018-2019 academic year.
Number of Awards	Two
Application Deadline	Sunday, April 29th, 2018
Notification Date	Tuesday, May 8 th , 2018

PURPOSE

The UNO Service Learning Academy (SLA) Faculty Fellows program is a critical component in the University's efforts to accomplish its strategic plan and metropolitan mission. Our student-centered, academically-excellent and community-engaged institution is enriched by the Faculty Fellows who teach in collaboration with the community and support service learning development.

The SLA Faculty Fellows program has been designed to empower experienced and committed service learning faculty to cultivate and support interest in service learning in their fellow faculty members – a means by which to increase the number of undergraduate and graduate courses with service learning components. The program also supports the scholarship of engagement and engaged scholarship through its faculty development and conference presentation components.

PROGRAM RESPONSIBILITIES AND REQUIREMENTS FOR 2017

Service Learning Program Development: The Faculty Fellow will:

- Work with the SLA team in the development of the 2018 Service Learning Seminar (July 9-13, 2018). Duties will include evaluation of existing seminar materials, development of at least one seminar session facilitated by the Faculty Fellow during the 2018 seminar. Must be available to attend all Seminar sessions between 8-4:30 Monday-Thursday and 8-noon on Friday.
- The Faculty Fellow will also work with the SLA team to recruit UNO faculty members who have no or limited experience teaching service learning courses. This could take the format of a professional development opportunity such as a workshop, hosted online session related to an aspect of SL, or another agreed-upon session. The Faculty Fellow will develop at least one new, sustainable professional development experience connected to the strategic goals of the Service Learning Academy and professional interests of the Faculty Fellow.

Scholarly Products and Presentations: The Faculty Fellow will:

- Be encouraged and supported to make a presentation of their pedagogical best practices or research at a regional or national conference.

FACULTY SUPPORT

SLA staff will be available to consult with and support the Faculty Fellows. The Faculty Fellows bring their strengths and goals to the project and partner with the SLA staff for implementation.

WHO MAY APPLY

Any full-time faculty member from all UNO colleges who have taught a service learning course at least three semesters at UNO are eligible to apply for the SLA Faculty Fellows program. Service learning course instruction does not need to be consecutive. Priority given to applicants who have completed Service Learning 101, the Service Learning Seminar, and/or other service learning-specific training.

SELECTION CRITERIA

The goal of the Faculty Fellows program is to involve faculty in the advancement of service learning instruction among fellow faculty and through engaged scholarship. Applications will be evaluated on the following criteria:

1. Understanding of and commitment to service learning
 - a. Understanding and application of the quality standards of service learning
 - b. Experience in teaching service learning courses
 - c. Explicit design of service learning course to reach both student learning and community outcomes
2. Alignment with professional goals
 - a. Anticipated benefit of participation in Faculty Fellows program
 - b. Alignment of Faculty Fellows program with professional experiences and goals
 - c. Contribution to or vision to contribute to service learning in field/discipline through engaged scholarship
3. Applicability to SLA strategic goals
 - a. Represent a diverse, underrepresented or missing perspective in discipline, issue or interest area
 - b. Connect to identified strategic goals related to increased SL course development, online SL courses, international SL, developing authentic partnerships with community organizations, business and government, and communicating impact from a student, faculty and community partner perspective.

APPLICATION MATERIALS

Please include the following in your application packet:

- Cover page
- Letter of application which documents understanding of and plans to achieve designated *program responsibilities and requirements* highlighting *service learning experience* and *research/creative activity*
- Curriculum vitae highlighting:
 - Service learning curriculum development
 - Other activities related to the support of service learning (e.g., advising, mentoring, participation in teaching enrichment activities, etc.)
 - Honors and distinctions pertaining to teaching and service learning
 - Books, monographs, or parts thereof published or accepted for publication
 - Articles published or accepted for publication
 - Papers presented
 - Other creative activities (e.g., works of art, artistic performances, shows, etc.)
 - Funded research grants
 - Other activities related to research/creative activity (e.g., chairing, professional panels, book reviews, etc.)
 - Honors and distinctions related to research/creative activity
- Syllabus from service learning course(s)
- Letter(s) of support from:
 - Dean or Chair of your academic unit that addresses how your participation is consistent with your professional development. The letter should also address how your application is consistent with Departmental/School goals for community engagement. *The Chair must also sign the application cover page to indicate support for this "buy out" of the applicant's time.*

DEADLINE FOR APPLICATION AND NOTIFICATION

Please submit all application materials listed above in PDF format to jdierberger@unomaha.edu by Sunday, April 29th. Any questions about the program or application should be directed to Julie Dierberger at jdierberger@unomaha.edu or 402.554.6019. *Award notification will be emailed by May 9th, 2018.*

**Service Learning Academy Faculty Fellows Program
2018
COVER PAGE**

Signature of Faculty Applicant: _____

Name of Faculty Applicant: _____

Department / College: _____

Academic Appointment: _____

Campus address: _____

Campus phone: _____ Cell phone (optional): _____

Email: _____

Signature of Department Chair/Dean:

Name

Date

Check list for application materials

- ✓ Cover page
- ✓ letter of application
- ✓ curriculum vitae
- ✓ syllabus from service learning course(s)
- ✓ letter(s) of support