

2017 Community Engaged Learning Award

Request for Proposals

Full-time undergraduate students, graduate students, post-docs, staff and faculty are invited to apply for an URSA Community Engaged Learning (CEL) Award of up to \$500. The CEL grant is a unique opportunity for undergraduate students to work with a community partner to explore a community need or problem through research or scholarly activity. Award recipients will also be eligible for mentorship through participation in a Community Cohort.

Funding Options

- Costs for services and supplies (including local transportation) that facilitate problem-solving and relationship building beyond the University
- Applicants are encouraged to include in-kind support (web/graphic design, event space/planning, etc) in their proposed budgets

Eligibility

- Any UAF faculty member, post-doc, staff, graduate or undergraduate student with community ties and/or a desire to build a sustainable and mutually beneficial partnership with a community partner (leader, organization, or population) who is willing to support undergraduate involvement
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Criteria for Selection

- Proposed project describes an equitable working relationship with a community member, organization, or population
- Proposed project engages in real-world problem solving through connecting expertise/resources/learning to actual needs in a community
- Written quality of the proposal and purpose of the materials/services required
- Direct benefit to the educational experience of undergraduate students and direct benefit to community members
- Implementation schedule (funds must be spent no later than June 30, 2018)
- Detailed list of services/materials with specifications and costs
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Selection process

- Selections will be made by the URSA Community Engaged Learning Committee
- All applicants will be notified by email and announced on the URSA website on Nov. 12, 2017
- Awardees will be expected to participate in a monthly Community Cohort meeting with project partners (UAF and Community) and to participate in a Community-Engaged Learning (CEL) exhibit for Undergraduate Research Day on April, 10, 2018

Deadline to apply is November 5, 2017

Details and application: www.uaf.edu/ursa/ • Click on “URSA Funding”