2021 Community Engaged Learning Award

Request for Proposals

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. This award is an opportunity for undergraduate students to work with a community partner to explore a community need or problem through research or scholarly activity.

Funding Options

- Costs for services and supplies (including local transportation) that facilitate problem-solving and relationship building beyond the University

Eligibility

- Any UAF faculty member, post-doc, staff, graduate or undergraduate student (degree seeking, taking 6+ credits) with a desire to build a partnership with a community partner (leader, organization, or population) who is willing to support undergraduate involvement

Criteria for Selection

- Proposed project describes a 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
- Anticipated outcomes and explanation of how it relates to undergraduate research or scholarly activity
- Detailed budget and timeline (funds must be spent by June 15, 2022)

Selection process

- Selections will be made by the URSA Review Panel
- All applicants will be notified by email and announced on the URSA website on Nov. 5, 2021.
- Awardees are required to complete a reflection survey of their experience, provide list of undergraduate students involved in the project and participate in Undergraduate Research and Creative Activity Day, April 7, 2022.

Deadline to apply is October 17, 2021

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

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