

UNIVERSITY of NEW HAMPSHIRE

Excellence in Outreach Scholarship

Outreach Scholars Academy

October 15, 2007

TO: Deans, Directors and Academy Applicants

FROM: Sharyn Potter, Ph.D., Faculty Fellow and Director, Outreach Scholars Academy

Julie E. Williams, Ph.D., Associate Vice President
Research and Outreach Scholarship

RE: *Outreach Scholarship Academy*

“Engagement and Outreach” is one of five strategic themes in the UNH Academic Strategic Plan that guides our future direction. To support this core strategic area, the Office of the Associate Vice President/Research and Outreach Scholarship will again sponsor the Outreach Scholars Academy. The Academy is a learning community of scholars interested in engaged scholarship and nearly 50 faculty have participated over the last three years. At UNH, engaged scholarship is defined as *a mutually beneficial collaboration between UNH and external partners for the purpose of generating and applying relevant knowledge to directly benefit the public.*

Each outreach scholar benefits from the following:

- \$750 in professional development funds
- Interactions with like-minded faculty about the issues of outreach and engaged scholarship
- Information from Academy alumni about how this work enhances teaching and research
- Information about outreach scholarship through a series of workshops and lectures given by nationally known experts
- Information about funding opportunities from federal and foundation program officers
- Use of coaches and colleagues designed to enhance the quality of ongoing outreach scholarship projects
- Participation upon graduation in the Academy “lunch and learn” conversations with 48 other faculty alumni

We are currently accepting applications for the 2008 Outreach Scholars Academy. The deadline for receipt of applications is November 15, 2007. Scholars will be announced on or before December 7, 2007.

The successful nominee for this program should possess the following qualities:

- Have an active research agenda that contributes to the discipline and that can have an impact on external stakeholders;
- Have a current outreach project that they would like to further develop to meet the criteria for outreach scholarship at our university;
- Have experience with externalizing their research (i.e. engaged scholarship);
- Have the capacity to work collaboratively as a member of an interdisciplinary team;

- Demonstrate a desire for new learning about engaged scholarship;
- Demonstrate an interest in working with faculty across disciplines, with community stakeholders, and with students;
- Demonstrate the capacity to effectively communicate the results of their research to public, academic, and other external audiences;
- Commit to actively participating in all outreach scholars meetings;
- Develop a final team or individual project with a special emphasis on outreach and/or engaged scholarship.

Successful nominees will be **expected to attend all meetings and participate fully in activities** of the program. Dates for the 2008 Outreach Scholars Academy are:

January 31, (Snow date February 14)	11:30am - 3:30pm (4 hours)	Induction Ceremony and Workshop IA
February 1 (Snow date February 15)	10:00am - 4:00pm (6 hours)	Workshop IB
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March 7	1:00pm - 5:00pm (4 hours)	Workshop III
March	TBA	Project development meetings
March 28	1:00pm - 5:00pm (4 hours)	Workshop IV
April 18	10:00am - 4:00pm (6 hours)	Workshop V
May 9	11:30am - 2:00pm (2.5 hours)	Graduation Ceremony and Luncheon

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS, PLEASE CONTACT:

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PLEASE FORWARD THIS NOMINATION FORM FOR COMPLETION BY YOUR DEAN/DIRECTOR
AND RETURN TO:
The Office of the Associate Vice President/Research and Outreach Scholarship,
Room 107, Thompson Hall
BY NOVEMBER 15, 2007.

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DEAN'S/DIRECTOR'S NOMINATION FORM

NAME OF NOMINATOR: _____

CANDIDATE'S NAME: _____

TITLE: _____

TELEPHONE: _____ FAX: _____ E-MAIL: _____

DEPARTMENT/COLLEGE: _____

ADDRESS: _____

The successful nominee should possess the following qualities on a scale of one to three. A score of one denotes the outreach scholar has shown no evidence of that quality. A score of two is given when the candidate shows potential in that area. A score of three means the candidate's work embodies that quality. You may give an NA if you don't know.

- _____ Has an active research agenda that contributes to the discipline and that can have an impact on external stakeholders
- _____ Has experience externalizing his/her research (i.e. engaged scholarship)
- _____ Has current outreach project(s) that involve outreach or engaged scholarship.
- _____ Has the capacity to work collaboratively as a member of an interdisciplinary team
- _____ Demonstrates a desire for new learning about engaged scholarship
- _____ Demonstrates an interest in working with faculty across disciplines, with community stakeholders, and with students
- _____ Demonstrates the capacity to effectively communicate the results of his/her research to public, academic, and other external audiences
- _____ Has the ability to commit to actively participating in all outreach scholars meetings
- _____ Overall rating

Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

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APPLICATION FORM

CANDIDATE'S NAME: _____

TITLE: _____

TELEPHONE: _____ FAX: _____ E-MAIL: _____

DEPARTMENT/COLLEGE: _____

ADDRESS: _____

PRESENT DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES:

Check the categories that best describe your primary duties and responsibilities.

Administration/Management Teaching Faculty Research Faculty
 Extension Faculty Clinical Faculty

Other (specify) _____

REFERENCES

Candidate's application MUST include the following:

Nomination form sent by your college/school dean

Name of nominator: _____

REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION (THREE COPIES)

Candidate's application MUST include:

Personal statement: Please answer the following (in one page or less).

1. *Why are you applying for this training opportunity?*
2. *What goals do you have for your professional development during your participation in the Outreach Scholars Academy?*

Proposed Outreach Scholarship Project/Initiative (in one page or less):

*One of the goals of the Outreach Scholarship Academy is to help faculty make their current outreach work better fit the criteria for engaged scholarship. Please describe (one page or less) a **CURRENT** project, grant, or other initiative you would like to develop further. Include information about how you work with a collaborative or community as an "expert," and include ideas you have to make student experiences more integrated into a particular community.*

Current resume/curriculum vitae, which includes the following information:

1. *Educational history (institution/program, degree/certificate, field, date — include any management and postgraduate training.)*
2. *Employment history (title, institution/organization, date)*
3. *Current title and date of tenure (if applicable)*
4. *Professional distinctions (honors, fellowship, appointments, etc.)*
5. *Civic and community activities, including any leadership positions*
6. *Publications, presentations*

Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

The following demographic information is optional:

Ethnic/racial group: _____ Gender: Female Male

PLEASE SUBMIT THREE COPIES BY NOVEMBER 15, 2007:

- APPLICATION FORM**
- CURRICULUM VITAE**
- PERSONAL STATEMENT**
- PROPOSED OUTREACH SCHOLARSHIP PROJECT/INITIATIVE**
- EXPECTATIONS/COMMITMENT FORM**
- NOMINATION LETTER SUBMITTED TO APPROPRIATE DEAN/DIRECTOR**

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Expectations/Commitment

Our university has committed resources to the Outreach Scholars Academy. In nominating you, your dean has confirmed his or her commitment to engaged scholarship.

Please consider carefully the criteria and the time commitment required for this academy before finalizing your application.

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Your signature confirms your commitment to fully participate in all meetings of the Outreach Scholars Academy.

Signature

Date