Genomics Learning Community

Building a Scholarly Life

Purpose and Overview:

The career of a productive scholar is advanced by having a clear research agenda, a supportive campus community, and, often external grant funding. Quality research and engagement with external partners can also enrich student learning, and support opportunities for interdisciplinary scholarship. President Huddleston has identified STEM as one of six key institutional initiatives for UNH.

The Office of the Senior Vice Provost (SVP) for Engagement and Academic Outreach, responsible for a number of faculty development programs, is offering a Genomics-Enabled Learning Community designed to support and advance faculty engaged in genomics-enabled research. This Learning Community will help Genomics-enabled faculty with networking opportunities with UNH faculty, staff and administration, orient them to the research culture and resources, and provide information to help advance their scholarship and engagement.

Each participant in the Genomics Learning Community will gain:

- Connections to the Hubbard Center for Genome Studies, the Leitzel Center for Mathematics, Science and Engineering Education, and Cooperative Extension;
- Networking opportunities with senior STEM colleagues about potential collaborations and successful career strategies;
- Refinement of faculty members’ broader impact plans;
- Support of proposal and manuscript development;
- Familiarity with the culture of funding programs such as NSF and NIH;
- Strategies to maintain the balance of teaching, research and service and to support career advancement.

Participation in the Genomics Learning Community is voluntary. However, if you decide to participate, we require you to commit to attend and fully engage in all of the following workshops:
Workshop I: Refinement of Broader Impact Plans

Workshop II: Refinement of Broader Impact Plans and Learning about UNH Cooperative Extension Program

Workshop III: Integrating Your Teaching, Scholarship and Service to Support Career Advancement

Workshop IV: Poster Session Social for Genomics-enabled Faculty

Workshop V: Trip to NSF in spring 2015

Application Process

To participate in the Genomics Learning Community, please send an email (i) indicating your commitment to participate in all workshops, and (ii) very brief description of 2-3 research questions driving your scholarship to: Lynne Cooper, Coordinator of Engagement and Academic Outreach at Lynne.Cooper@unh.edu and Eleanor Abrams, Professor and Executive Director Eleanor.abrams@unh.edu on or before Friday, June 6, 2014.

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