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ENGAGED SCHOLAR PRIZE 2016

To recognize the importance of community-engaged teaching and research, Engaged Cornell has established the Engaged Scholar Prize. Each year, the prize will recognize a faculty member who inspires students, faculty colleagues, and community partners with innovative approaches to integrating teaching, learning, and research with public or community-based partnerships.

The Engaged Scholar prize carries an award of $30,000 to further expand and deepen community-engaged partnership activities, with funds being applied in a manner jointly determined by the faculty awardee with one or more partners. The funds will support three essential contributors: the partner, the faculty member, and Cornell students—undergraduate, graduate, or professional.

With the Engaged Scholar prize, the awardee represents Cornell’s leadership in the role of higher education and the nation’s growing recognition that academia is a critical partner in confronting the world’s most challenging questions. With this distinguished prize, the Engaged Scholar is asked to give a public presentation or workshop at Cornell in a venue appropriate to their work. An additional stipend may be provided to include the participation of one or more of the key community partners that has worked with the recognized scholar.

Engaged Cornell plans to announce the inaugural recipient of the prize on April 4, 2016.

Award Criteria
The Engaged Scholar prize recognizes excellence in multiple aspects of community-engaged learning and research, including:

- teaching and mentoring;
- research addressing the needs of communities;
- reciprocity in community-based partnerships;
- assessment of impacts and learning outcomes for all project participants.

Nomination Process
Nominations for the Engaged Scholar Prize may be submitted online until March 1, 2016.

Candidates for this award may be self-nominated or nominated by others. The nomination should be in the form of a brief letter that speaks to the award criteria, above. Nominees will also submit a package of supporting materials, described below.

Submission Package Checklist
- Narrative description of engaged scholarship, including
  a. history of the partnership(s);
  b. evidence of the impact of the work on students;
  c. evidence of research, service, or creative products resulting from the partnership.
- Letters of support from
  a. dean;
  b. department chair;
  c. community partner(s);
  d. other colleague(s).
- CV of faculty nominee
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- Website or other material of the community partner(s) stating the public purpose of the partner(s)