

Summer 2021 Community-Engaged Sustainability Fellowship Call for Proposals

The College supports an individual faculty member or team of faculty members to employ a cohort of up to four undergraduate students working on a community-engaged sustainability project during summer 2021. The student financial award is based on eight weeks¹ of full-time work. The faculty stipend is intended to support the time commitment required to establish meaningful relationships with community partners and to supervise the cohort of students.

Note: We do not yet know whether students will be allowed to remain on campus for the summer; that decision will be made on March 15. You are encouraged (but not required) to offer a proposal that could be done remotely if that is what we are allowed this summer.

Financial resources:

- Budget to employ up to four undergraduate students full-time for 8 weeks (\$3,900/student)
- \$7,500 faculty stipend to support program development and implementation
- \$400 for student-related expenses (transportation, materials, etc.)

Administrative resources: Center for Community Engagement (CCE, formerly RCCL) is available to help with administrative tasks of advertising the position and handling the finances.

Schedule:

- March 8: Proposal due
- March 8-15: Proposal review by the Academic Sustainability Committee
- March 22: Announcement posted online
- April 1: Student applications due
- TBD: Student interviews and selection
- Exact summer timing is up to the supervising faculty member(s)

Application process:

Submit the proposal via the online form at <https://forms.gle/VL2xaNrMtjABfMc78>. If it is a multi-person project, only one person needs to submit.

Proposals will be evaluated based on the following:

- Support for local initiatives, particularly those developed in partnership with community organizations;
- Opportunity for students to perform meaningful tasks and produce valuable deliverables;
- Priority will be given for projects that tie into faculty teaching, research and/or other UR activities.

Past recipients and projects:

- 2020: activating student learning on climate change. Sponsors: April Luehmann and Mike Daley.
- 2019: food production and access in the City of Rochester. Sponsors: Tanya Bakhmetyeva; Rose Pasquarella Beauchamp, Stella Wang and Anne Wilcox.
- 2018: health equity and climate change in the City of Rochester. Katrina Korfmacher.

Last year's announcement can be found at <https://www.sas.rochester.edu/sus/internships/summer.html>.

¹ If eight weeks is not feasible for the faculty schedule, the student stipend can be adjusted for a shorter time frame.