Call for proposals Community Engaged Learning (CEL) Curricular Development Fund

The University of Victoria has a long history of community engagement, and indeed, the 2012 strategic plan makes a commitment to “integrating teaching, learning, research and civic engagement across the disciplines; and, employing our core strengths to benefit our external communities — locally, regionally, nationally and internationally — and promoting civic engagement and global citizenship. ” In an effort to provide support for these goals, the Office of the Vice-President Academic and Provost, in collaboration with the Learning and Teaching Centre (LTC), makes resources available to support faculty members and academic units seeking to integrate community-engagement elements into their undergraduate curricula.

The Community-Engaged Learning (CEL) fund for curriculum development is offering up to four (4) grants (maximum: $6,500 each) to support the redesign of undergraduate core courses and/or program components that incorporate a community-engaged approach. A broad definition of community is intended, including, geographic, government, industry or other external communities of interest. Similarly, a broad range of methods to enhance engagement will be considered. The Learning and Teaching Centre (ltc@uvic.ca) and/or the Special Advisor to the Provost on Community Engagement (lbrown@uvic.ca) are pleased to provide advice and consultation upon request, at either the proposal stage or the grant implementation stage. Any department/school or faculty member may submit a proposal.

The deadline for proposals is Tuesday, December 16, 2014 at 4:00 PM and should be submitted to ltc@uvic.ca.

Proposals should be brief (1-2 pages max) and address the following:

- Name of course/program proposed for redesign
- Objectives of the proposed curriculum development project
- Description of the proposed project
- Funding requested and explanation of how it will be used
- Timeline of the project
- Name and contact information of the applicant

For further information, please contact Leslie Brown, Special Advisor to the Provost on Community Engagement at lbrown@uvic.ca