Communities of Excellence

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Monday, April 7, 2014
Tuesday, April 8, 2014
Realizing UB2020

- Launched by President Tripathi and led by Provost Zukoski

- Process defined Themes and two Signature Initiatives

  Themes:
  - Environment, Health, Humanity, Innovation, Justice

  Signature Initiatives:
  - Communities of Excellence
  - Curricular Distinction
Communities of Excellence:

- Will elevate UB’s scholarly and creative activities, and learning, beyond what is currently possible

- Are composed of groups committed to working towards solving *the most pressing grand challenges for society while pushing the boundaries of human understanding*

- Include shared infrastructure and other investments

- Develop unique mechanisms and opportunities to integrate research, student learning and engagement

- Enable our faculty, students and staff to be at the forefront of learning, innovation, discovery and creative activities.
Communities are about Impact

Knowledge

UB: Education, Research & Scholarly Activities, Engagement

Themes: Health, Justice, Humanity, Environment, Innovation

Challenges
# Key Dates for Deciding on Communities

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Concept Papers

- Must include the following:
  - THE TITLE
  - THE SYNOPSIS - Brief description (maximum of 500 words)
  - THE OUTCOMES - Relative to learning, scholarship, creative activity and engagement (maximum of 500 words)
  - THEMES IMPACTED - Simple list
  - TARGETED FUNDING SOURCES - Potential

submitted via email to coe_applications@buffalo.edu
Preliminary Proposal Presentations

- Includes (in up to a maximum of 11 slides):
  - Title (1 Slide):
  - Project Summary (2 slides):
    - Succinct summary and
    - Broader impacts
  - Project Description (Up to 7 slides):
    - Vision and Goals
    - Approach and Methodology
    - Scientific/Creative Merit, Scholarly Activities and Impact
    - Statement of Resource Needs
    - Metrics/Definition of Success
  - Institutional Fit (1 slide)
  - Handout (extra): List of all participating faculty, their departmental affiliations, and their expertise.
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Questions?
Establishing Communities of Excellence

- **Call for Proposals Released**: 04/03
- **Invitation for Preliminary Proposals Communicated**: 05/23
- **Communities Concept Proposals Due (2 Pages)**: 04/30
- **Copy of Preliminary Proposal Presentations Due**: 08/11
- **Invitations for Full Proposals Communicated**: 09/17
- **Full Proposals Due**: 11/24
- **Funded Communities Announced**: 12/15

**Timeline**

- **Review of Concept Papers**: 05/01 - 05/22
- **Preparation of Preliminary Presentations**: 06/23 - 08/11
- **Preliminary Proposal Presentations**: 08/18 - 08/22
- **Full Proposal Review**: 11/24 - 12/15
- **Intense Guided Full Proposal Preparation**: 09/17 - 11/24

**Important Dates**

- **Today**: 04/03
- **Feb**: 05/23
- **Mar**: 04/30
- **Apr**: 08/11
- **May**: 09/17
- **Jun**: 11/24
- **Jul**: 12/15