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MSU Curricular Service-Learning and Civic Engagement Awards Announced

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EAST LANSING, Mich. - The MSU Curricular Service-Learning and Civic Engagement Awards were bestowed on 37 recipients in 15 of the university's 17 degree-granting colleges at a ceremony on Friday, November 9, 2012 at the Kellogg Hotel and Conference Center.

The annual award recognizes innovative and/or sustained effort in the area of academic, curricular or co-curricular service-learning/civic engagement that is specifically linked with the mission and efforts of each college at Michigan State University.

"Our university has a long, proud tradition of supporting service-learning and civic engagement. Administrators, faculty, staff, and students continually demonstrate the knowledge, energy and enthusiasm to create positive changes in our society. These award recipients represent the best of those efforts during 2011 and 2012, and we congratulate them on their hard work, focus, and willingness to make a difference," said Karen McKnight Casey, director of the Center for Service-Learning and Civic Engagement.

The MSU Center for Service-Learning and Civic Engagement, in partnership with the Office of the Associate Provost for University Outreach and Engagement, the Office of the Vice President for Student Affairs and Services, and with endorsement from the Office of the Provost, initiated the awards in 2008. Each college dean is asked to name a faculty member, academic staffer, or other individual for the award.

In addition to the individual college awards, the ceremony also included recognition of the Civic Advocate Award, the Michigan Campus Compact Faculty/Staff Community Service-Learning Award, and the MSU Center for Service-Learning and Civic Engagement Community Partner-Philanthropy Award.

The MSU Federal Credit Union was recognized with the first Community Partner-Philanthropy Award for financial sponsorship that enabled the CSLCE to lease transportation for the purpose of expanding the volume and consistency of academic service-learning student placements with community partners.

Hanna Obbink, an East Lansing senior in the Residential College of the Arts and Humanities, was selected to deliver the undergraduate student address at the awards ceremony.

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Leigh Wilson, originally from Saranac Lake, New York and a second year student in the Student Affairs Administration master's program, was selected to deliver the graduate student address.

John S. Duley was honored for his lifelong contributions to engaged scholarship on behalf of the MSU community, and congratulated for receiving the Inaugural National Society for Experiential Education (NSEE) John S. Duley Lifetime Achievement Award.

2011 and 2012 Annual MSU Curricular Service-Learning and Civic Engagement Award Recipients:

Daniel G. Dutkiewicz II, Assistant Director, CANR Study Abroad
College of Agriculture and Natural Resources

Janet A. Swenson, Associate Dean and Associate Professor
Department of Writing, Rhetoric and American Cultures
College of Arts and Letters

Joseph P. Grimm, Instructor, School of Journalism
Jennifer A. Rumler, Managing Director, MSU Strategic Sales Institute
College of Communication Arts and Sciences

Dorinda Carter Andrews, Associate Professor
Sandra M. Crespo, Associate Professor
Matthew A. Ferkany, Assistant Professor
Terry K. Flennaugh, Assistant Professor
Elizabeth E. Heilman Powers, Associate Professor
Rebecca J. Jacobsen, Assistant Professor
Lynn W. Paine, Professor
Michelle Allen Purdy, Assistant Professor
Maria Teresa Tatto, Associate Professor
Department of Teacher Education
College of Education

Rebecca J. Jacobsen, Assistant Professor
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Timothy J. Hinds, Academic Specialist, Engineering Undergraduate Studies
Sandra Christlieb, Specialist
College of Engineering

Stephen R. Blosser
Assistive Technology Specialist
Resource Center for Persons with Disabilities

Susan J. Masten, Professor

Department of Civic and Environmental Engineering
College of Engineering

Margo Kauahine Smith, Academic Specialist – Director of Service-Learning
College of Human Medicine

Douglas B. Luckie, Associate Professor
Department of Physiology, College of Natural Science
and Lyman Briggs College

Ryan D. Sweeder, Associate Professor
Philip E. Strong, Assistant Dean
Lyman Briggs College

Kathryn E. Fort, Interim Co-Director, Indigenous Law and Policy Center
MSU College of Law

Michele L. Halloran, Clinical Professor of Law and Director of Clinical Programs
MSU College of Law

Etienne Charles, Assistant Professor of Jazz Trumpet
College of Music

Judith Palac, Associate Professor of Music Education
College of Music

Gabriel J. Ording, Associate Professor, Department of Entomology
Director, Center for Integrative Studies in General Science
College of Natural Science

Suzanne Guimond Wilson, Specialist, Macomb University Center
College of Osteopathic Medicine

Laryssa N. Kaufman, Associate Professor
College of Osteopathic Medicine

Laura B. DeLind, Assistant Professor
Residential College in the Arts and Humanities

Austin D. Jackson, Assistant Professor
Residential College in the Arts and Humanities

William Davidson, University Distinguished Professor, Department of Psychology
College of Social Science

Marya R. Sosulski, Associate Professor, Department of Social Work
College of Social Science

Kari J. Storm, Outreach Coordinator, Office of Diversity and Vetward Bound Programs
College of Veterinary Medicine

Civic Advocate Award:

John A. Dowell, Technology Literacy Specialist
Undergraduate University Division
Awarded for more than ten years of educating MSU students to be community citizens, in particular with involvement in the MSU-City of East Lansing YouVote Initiative.

Michigan Campus Compact Faculty/Staff Community Service-Learning Award 2011-2012:

Tobias Schoenherr, Assistant Professor, Department of Supply Chain Management
Broad College of Business
Awarded for combining coursework with engaged teaching and service with research, true hallmarks of outreach and engagement at Michigan State University.

MSU Center for Service-Learning and Civic Engagement Community Partner-Philanthropy Award:

Michigan State University Federal Credit Union
Accepting on behalf of MSUFCU: April Clobes, Executive Vice President
Awarded for financial sponsorship that has provided transportation for nearly 300 students per week, thereby expanding the volume and consistency of academic service-learning placements with community partners not easily reached by public transportation.

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MSU's Center for Service-Learning and Civic Engagement (CSLCE) began in January 1968 as the Office of Volunteer Programs and was renamed the Service-Learning Center in 1979. It was a founding institution member of Michigan Campus Compact in 1989, and became the Center for Service-Learning and Civic Engagement in 2002. The CSLCE is the oldest continuously operating service-learning center in the country.

From its inception the CSLCE, a university-wide initiative, has worked closely with MSU colleges, academic departments, student affairs and services units, pre-college programs, and others to offer mutually beneficial, quality service, service-learning and civic engagement opportunities linking faculty and students with community.

During 2011-2012 the Center for Service-Learning and Civic Engagement received and accommodated 18,899 student registrations for service and community engagement positions.