SLICE

Service Learning in Community Engagement
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COMBINED EFFORT WORKSHOP REPORT/ACTIVITIES UNDERTAKEN SINCE OCTOBER

What steps have we taken?
- Yaffle Collaboration
- Community Health & Humanities Practicum Student: developing web-based resources
- Where do YOU come in?
- Developing roster for future presentations/discussions/workshops

REVIEW OF CONSULTATIONS WITH YAFFLE
- Developing a SLICE network connection to Yaffle
- Profiling our Community Partners
- Profiling our University Partners
- Connecting through Yaffle: what will it take?

BUILDING AN ONLINE COMMUNITY-UNIVERSITY HUB
- The Community Sector Council has a portal for volunteering opportunities
- What about a service learning portal? How can SLICE build this into its website?
Workshop Next Steps: Building the Portal

UNIVERSITY MEMBERS OF SLICE WILL CONTRIBUTE (to help community partners)
- Links/ contact information to connect community agencies with student volunteers
- Links/ contact information to access how-to information and human resources links to support community program evaluations
- Links to statistical data sources that can support community projects
- A comprehensive Asset Map of Memorial University—who does what at Memorial? Key contacts in each university department
- Links to community-university projects (planned/ in progress/recently completed)
- Links to research reports on community-engaged scholarship
- Other resources, as may arise in the March meeting

COMMUNITY MEMBERS OF SLICE WILL CONTRIBUTE (to help university partners)
- A listing, including contact links, for community agencies with the capacity and willingness to collaborate with university partners/ hire student volunteers, etc.
- A thematic list of the kinds of research and evaluative work communities are seeking (short-term/long-term projects that students/ faculty could help produce) and a list of deliverables that community partners are seeking from students/ faculty
- Links to community-university projects (planned/ in progress/ recently completed/)
- Links to reports on community-led research
- Other resources as may arise in the meeting

BOTH COMMUNITY AND UNIVERSITY WILL PROVIDE (to help students)
- A list of experiential learning opportunities that exist in our community—who is seeking student volunteers and on what terms?
- A list of the kinds of opportunities that will enable students to earn university credits for service learning/ volunteering
- A connection-builder link: I have an idea for a community experience/activity—where do I go?
Workshop Next Steps: Group Meetings and Workshops

DEVELOP MEETINGS/ PRESENTATIONS ROSTER: FALL 2018 TO SPRING 2019

Get to know Memorial:
- Session on Memorial’s Student Life programming
- Session on Memorial’s Social Enterprise Centre
- Session on resources for community through Harris Centre & Yaffle

Get to know your Community:
- Sessions by community partners who want to work with Memorial—who we are and what we do

Building Collaborative projects:
- Session to build a collaboration agenda for specific projects

Informational Workshops to support engagement:

For University:
- How to coordinate high impact community engagement that does not burden community
- How to find out what community partners want
- How to find out who is doing what and where?
- What is MEANT by engagement?
- Examples of successful partnerships

For Community:
- How to apply for and obtain funding
- How does research work? the research process, how to develop researchable questions, models of research, ethical considerations
- How can student volunteers help us? Matching demand with student resources
- How to conduct program evaluations—tools and human resources
- How to locate data that will support community projects
Elayne met with Yaffle partners at Office of Engagement
Let’s discuss the outcomes of that meeting:

SLICE on Yaffle
• https://mun.yaffle.ca/projects/3286

Combined Efforts Event:
• https://mun.yaffle.ca/projects/3287

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SLICE’s own online portal

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