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*****Regional Conferences and Call for Papers*****

[I. New England Regional Campus Compact Spring 2009 Conference](#)

"*Reexamining the Engaged Campus: Community, Reciprocity, and Social Justice*" will be held March 30th (Conference) & March 31st (Post-conference Institutes) at University of Massachusetts, Amherst. Registration ends March 20. Join faculty, community partners, staff, and students as we examine issues of social justice and reciprocity in campus-community partnerships. This two-day conference features more than twenty-five concurrent workshops and eight intensive institutes. Visit the Massachusetts Campus Compact webpage for more information, including agenda, workshop and institute descriptions, and registration details. You may also access the Vermont Campus Compact Web site page for additional information: <http://www.vtcampuscompact.org/NECCspring09.php> Please contact Cheryl Whitney Lower at clower@middlebury.edu or (802) 443-2507 with questions or for additional information.

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*****National Conferences and Call for Papers*****

[I. OCC/SOCHE Scholarship of Engagement 2.0 Conference](#)

Monday, April 20th, 2009, University of Dayton in Dayton, Ohio
Ohio Campus Compact and SOCHE (Southwestern Ohio Council for Higher Education) are sponsoring a 2009 Scholarship of Engagement Conference. Dr. R. Eugene Rice and Dr. David J. Maurrasse will be joining us as we explore critical issues and directions of engagement in higher education. The 2009 Scholarship of Engagement Conference is pleased to offer an opportunity for students and faculty to present undergraduate student/faculty research that is explicitly community-based. Participants will present their papers and receive feedback from a panel of discussants. These papers can then be submitted for publication in the Fall 2009 Edition of the *McMaster Journal* in collaboration with the McMaster School for Advancing Humanity at Defiance College. See below for submission guidelines. Submit an abstract of your project/paper no later than March 1, 2009 to Ohio Campus Compact (occjen@alink.com). If accepted, a complete paper will be due to your assigned discussant no later than April 10, 2009.

II. The First Summit on Incorporating Social Justice and Service-Learning into the STEM Curriculum

June 11-12, 2009 at Ithaca College (Ithaca, NY). Registration will open in March. Pennsylvania Campus Compact and New York Campus Compact, with support from Learn & Serve America and Ithaca College, are collaborating to support faculty members in the disciplines of science, technology, engineering and mathematics. We invite STEM faculty members and other interested partners to participate in the event called: "Developing a Good Heart in STEM: The First Summit on Incorporating Social Justice and Service-Learning into the STEM Curriculum." The keynote address will be given by Pamela Proulx-Curry, Ph.D. The call for papers deadline has been extended to February 13, 2009. Questions regarding the event can be directed to Kate Dantsin at kdantsin@paccompact.org or 717-796-5072 x5.

III. Amizade's Summer Service-Learning Courses

Please note that February 15 is the deadline for tuition discounts for Amizade's summer service-learning courses. Credits are granted through our academic partnership with West Virginia University. All programs are faculty-led and include community-driven service through local partners, academic excellence, and deep intercultural immersion.

IV. No Better Time: Promising Opportunities in Deliberative Democracy for Educators and Practitioners

July 8 – July 11, 2009, The University of New Hampshire, Durham, N.H. Deliberative democracy has reached a critical point in its development. Over the last fifteen years, shifts in citizen capacities and attitudes have led to a dramatic proliferation of citizen participation and deliberative practices, and in 2008 they helped to produce an historic presidential election. On the heels of these changes, new opportunities for educators and practitioners are emerging in communities, in government, and on campuses. The primary goal of No Better Time is to take stock of these developments and to consider future directions for educators and practitioners in teaching, research, and in citizen-centered initiatives. This national conference is hosted by The Democracy Imperative and the Deliberative Democracy Consortium.

V. AAC&U Engaging Departments Institute

July 8-12, 2009, University of Pennsylvania in Philadelphia
The Engaging Departments Institute will provide campus teams of academic administrators, department chairs, and faculty with an intensive, structured time to advance their plans to foster, assess, and improve student learning within departments and across the institution. The Institute will concentrate on: 1) leadership for learning within and among departments, 2) assessments for achieving and improving essential outcomes, and 3) preparing for educational effectiveness by identifying and then replacing barriers with aligned effective practices. Apply now online through March 20, 2009. For additional information contact Gretchen Sauvey, 202-884-7413 or Sauvey@aacu.org

VI. Ninth International Research Conference on Service-Learning and Community Engagement

The 2009 conference by the University of Ottawa and the International Association for Research on Service-Learning and Community Engagement will be held October 9th to 12th at the Westin Ottawa hotel in Ottawa, Ontario, Canada. The theme of the conference is "Research for What? Making Inquiry Matter." This conference will address the goals underlying the research on service-learning and community engagement, the most effective means of achieving them, and the implications of such goals for a wide range of constituencies. The Call for Proposals and additional conference information are available on the website. All proposals must be received via electronic submission by 11:59 p.m. (Eastern Time) Friday, March 6, 2009. If you have any questions, please contact the conference staff at ircslce2009@uottawa.ca.



*******Awards, Grants, Fellowships and Positions*******

I. SustalInvest Student Investment Challenge

The SustalInvest Student Management Committee is pleased to announce the commencement of the 2008-09 SustalInvest competition. SustalInvest is open to any graduate or undergraduate student at any institution. Judging criteria rewards thoughtful design of high performance, sustainability-driven investments. Portfolios will be judged for an understanding of the interdependence among business, society and the environment for a competitive advantage. This year's grand prize is paid registration at the 2009 Net Impact Conference at Cornell University and access to VIP networking events with industry leaders at the 2009 Net Impact Conference. In addition, there will be cash prizes. The deadline to apply is February 15, 2009.

II. NACUBO Innovation Award

The National Association of College and University Business Officers (NACUBO) invites applicants for its 2009 Innovation Award. The Award honors the achievement of higher education institutions of each constituent type (community colleges, comprehensive and doctoral institutions, research universities, and small institutions) in the following areas of business and financial administration: process improvement and resource enhancement. Institutions with sustainability and energy efficiency improvements are encouraged to apply. Applications are due April 3, 2009.

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*******News & Resources*******

I. The White House Agenda for Service

In a speech on December 5, 2007, in Mt. Vernon, IA, Barack Obama said: "Your own story and the American story are not separate -- they are shared. And they will both be enriched if we stand up together, and answer a new call to service to meet the challenges of our new century ... I won't just ask for your vote as a candidate; I will ask for your service and your active citizenship when I am president of the United States. This will not be a call issued in one speech or program; this will be a cause of my presidency." Please read this update by the White House regarding the new agenda for national service, integrating service into learning, and investing in the nonprofit sector.

II. Global Warming Webcast: Solutions for the First 100 Days.

Join David Orr, Hunter Lovins, Betsy Taylor, Ray Anderson, Dianne Dillon-Ridgely, Jessy Tolkan, Billy Parish and Wahleah Johns as they discuss global warming solutions for the first 100 days. "A compelling and timely look at what we need to do in the next year to stabilize the climate" This 45 minute, free webcast focuses on: Why the First 100 Days of the Obama administration is a critical window for climate action; How young people are leading the fight for a clean energy future; The recommendations of the Presidential Climate Action Project. The Campus Version of the webcast is perfect for sparking classroom discussion. The Faith Version is designed for education in churches, synagogues and mosques. "Solutions for the First 100 Days" is produced by Professor Eban Goodstein and the National Wildlife Federation, as part of the National Teach-In on Global Warming Solutions. Join 750 colleges, universities, high schools, faith organizations and civic groups, and help change the future.

III. Strengthening the Foundations of Students' Excellence, Integrity, and Social Contribution

This article by Anne Colby and William M. Sullivan is published in the journal *Liberal Education* in Winter 2009. The issue focuses on how the AAC&U's Liberal Education and America's Promise (LEAP) initiative is being enacted. Surveys for the Core Commitments initiative show that personal and social responsibility are important aspects of a college education, and this article suggests three steps to incorporate the key dimensions of personal and social responsibility.

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