

# Welcome to the 2023 Biennial Meeting of the AJCU Community Engaged Learning Professionals Gathering!

Welcome to Marquette and welcome to Milwaukee! While you are here, please let us know if you need anything at all. We hope you will walk away from our meeting with new insights and ideas. We want you to feel embraced as a member of, and co-conspirator in, this wonderful network, and that you will feel a sense of rejuvenation about our shared commitment to community engagement, justice, and Jesuit education. We cannot wait to learn from you, and it is so good to be back together again in person!

Kim Jensen Bohat, 2023 Conference Host, Former AJCU CELPs Chair Director of the Marquette University Service Learning Program

**Planning Committee:** A very special thanks to our AJCU Planning Committee for all the time they put into making this gathering a reality. Committee Members include:

Patrick Green, Loyola University- Chicago Melissa Quan- Fairfield University Isabelle Jenkins- College of the Holy Cross Cynthia Stewart, Loyola University- Chicago Jorion Tucker, Loyola University- Chicago Susan Haarman, Loyola University- Chicago Eddie Godina- Marquette University Kim Jensen Bohat- Marquette University

We also thank our Marquette University colleagues for their help in the planning process:

Peggy Mead Rob Smith Karina Mendoza Jennifer Maney Olivia Flood Izzy Osbourne **Shuttles:** We have two shuttle vans available for airport pick up and drop off, as well as helping bring people back and forth to their lodging if needed. Please give Eddie a call if you need a lift.

Eddie Godina: (773) 658-5491

Safety and Emergencies: Marquette is an active, urban campus located between downtown and more residential areas. As with any urban area, please keep your safety in mind when traveling and be aware of your surroundings. If you are parking a vehicle, we would encourage you to use University or the Double Tree parking structures. We would encourage you to walk in pairs or groups after dark. Marquette has its own police department. The non-emergency number is (414) 288-6800 and the emergency number is (414) 288-1911. Kim's cell phone is (262) 321-5161 if you need to reach her.

**Parking:** Kim and her team will have parking vouchers available for the Marquette parking structure. Those that let us know they will be driving will have vouchers in their name tag holders. The 16<sup>th</sup> Street Structure is the closest to both Mashuda Hall and the Raynor Library. (749 N 16th Street)

#### Mashuda Hall Lodging:

**Exercise:** Want to get out and stretch your legs with a walk or a jog? Or do you just feel like exploring a bit? Check out the <u>Milwaukee Riverwalk!</u> The closest entry spot is by the Wisconsin Avenue Bridge, just a few blocks east of the Double Tree. Be sure to check out the <u>Bronze Fonz</u> (as in Fonzie, from Happy Days!).

Walkers also enjoy walking the "Marquette Mile" which is a long lap around campus, from  $11^{th}$  street to  $16^{th}$  street, and between Wisconsin Avenue and Clybourn.

Menus: If you are a foodie like us, it is always nice to know what is on the menu!

#### Tuesday Reception

Wisconsin Cheese Tray and snacks, beverages

#### Tuesday Dinner- Catered by Antiqua Latin-Inspired Kitchen

Antiqua Salad, Cilantro Rice, Saffron Roasted Vegetables, Poblano Pasta, Blackberry Salmon, Tequila Chicken, Dessert Table, 1 Drink Ticket per person

## Wednesday Breakfast- Healthy Way Continental Breakfast

Seasonal Fresh Fruit, Greek Yogurt, Granola Bars, Hard-boiled eggs, Oatmeal with toppings of your choice, Bagels and Schmear, Coffee and Orange Juice

## Wednesday Lunch- Indian Buffet

Chicken Tikka Masala, Madras Cabbage and Peas, Alu Gobi Matar, Dal Tarka, Pulao Rice, Vegetable Pakora, Naan Dippers, Cilantro Chutney, Mango and Passion Fruit Fool Sweet Shot, Iced Tea

# Wednesday Snack Break

Top your own Popcorn Bar and Sweets, Sodas and Sparkling Water

#### Thursday Breakfast Buffet

Fresh Fruit Platter, Mini Butter Croissants, Muffins, Home Fried Potatoes, Bacon, Turkey Sausage links

Seasoned Scrambled Eggs, Orange Juice, Tea, and Coffee

#### Thursday Box Lunches

Includes potato chips (sandwiches) or bread roll (salads), apple, rice crispie or peanut butter brownie, and beverage

- -Classic Turkey Club on Sourdough
- -Hummus Wrap with Zucchini and Dukkah with non- GMO tortilla
- -Caesar Salad with Grilled Chicken
- -Mandarin Orange Spinach Salad with balsamic dressing

# **Agenda for our Time Together**

# Tuesday, May 30

Shuttles from the airport: If you indicated your flight times on the survey, we have reached out to you to schedule a pick up/drop off time.

#### 1:00-4:00pm Meeting Check-In

Apon arrival please head directly to the Double Tree or to Mashuda Hall. At check-in you will be provided with a welcome bag with your name tag. We hope you enjoy your stay!

2:30-3:15pm New Member Welcome- Raynor Library, 1355 W. Wisconsin Ave. Room 330B

If this is your first AJCU CELPS conference, we hope you will join us for this quick orientation and welcome session run by Patrick Green and Melissa Quan, our AJCU CELPS Conference Co-Chairs. We are so glad you have joined our network!

Please be sure to wear your name tags for entry into the library.

#### 3:55pm Mashuda Hall Bus Pick-Up to Reception and Dinner

Please meet in the lobby, and *please be prompt*. The bus will leave to pick up the rest of the group at 4:10pm. If your flight gets in late and you miss the bus, please call Eddie at (773) 658-5491.

# 4:10pm **Double Tree Bus Pick-Up to Reception and Dinner**

Please meet in the lobby, and *please be prompt*. The bus will leave to head to the museum at 4:20pm. If your flight gets in late and you miss the bus, please call Eddie at (773) 658-5491.

#### 4:30-5:45pm Tour of America's Black Holocaust Museum and Reception

Join Dr. Rob Smith, the Harry Johns Endowed Professor of History, Director of the Marquette Center for Urban Research, Teaching and Outreach (CURTO), and Resident Historian for American's Black Holocaust Museum as he guides us through the museum. Munchies and cheese curds will get us to dinner after a long day of travel! Afterward, we will head over to the shores of Lake Michigan to take in the beauty of Milwaukee's lakefront, with time for a picture stop if the weather cooperates.

## 6:00-8:00pm Dinner at Best Place at the Historic Pabst Brewery

The Service Learning Program and our colleagues in service, engagement, and justice work from across the University will welcome you. Fr. Tim Hipskind, S.J. from Detroit Mercy will bless us, our food, and those that prepared it for us. Dinner will be catered by Antiqua Latin Inspired Kitchen. Enjoy the historic German Beer Hall and feel free to look around, utilize the courtyard, and catch up with our wonderful colleagues. A full bar is offered and the first one is on us! You will find a drink ticket in your name tag case!

#### 8:00pm Board the bus back to the Double Tree and Mashuda Hall

Our journey back will take us through downtown Milwaukee, and our new and improved "Deer District" home of the Milwaukee Bucks and the Marquette Men's Basketball team. Once back, if folks still have energy after a long travel day, might we suggest the Roof Top bar at the Double Tree.

Sleep well, we have a big day ahead!

# Wednesday, May 31

8:00am **Elevated Continental Breakfast**, Raynor Library, 1355 W. Wisconsin Ave.

Beaumier Suites B&C, Lower Level

Good morning! Shuttles will be running from Mashuda and the Double Tree beginning at 7:45am. Both the hotel and residence hall are about a 6-block walk to the library.

8:30am Formal Greeting and Kick-Off, Raynor Library, Beaumier Suites B&C

Marquette University President, Dr. Michael Lovell will welcome all of our guests to campus and Fr. Jim Pribek, SJ, Assistant Vice President of Mission and Ministry, will offer a prayer for our gathering. They will be followed by our land acknowledgement, offered by Eddie Godina, Assistant Director of Service Learning Program. Then our dynamic co-chairs, Dr. Patrick Green, Loyola Chicago, and Dr. Melissa Quan, Fairfield University, will also greet us and start off our morning!

9:00am **Opening Panel: Marquette University Community Engaged Scholars,** Raynor Library, Beaumier Suites B&C

This session will highlight some of the great scholarship and community-engaged work being done on Marquette's campus. We hope this panel will help inspire new ideas and collaboration points as well as ground us in our work as community-engaged practitioners. The panel will be facilitated by Kelsey Otero, Senior Director of Community Engagement at Marquette.

- <u>Education Preparedness Program</u>- Dr. Darren Wheelock, Dr. Theresa Tobin, Dr. Rob Smith
- <u>Indigenous history mapping project</u>- Dr. Bryan Rindfleisch
- BLEST Hub: Dr. Gabriel Velez

 <u>Center for Peacemaking and Near West Side Partners Anchor Institution</u>-Patrick Kennelly

#### 10:00am Break

Restrooms can be found to the left of the elevators and stairwell. Don't forget to get a refill on your coffee!

#### 10:15am Concurrent Sessions I

Option 1: Centering Community in Seattle U's New Community Engaged Learning Requirement, Raynor Library, Room 330B

Cecilia Morales, Ph.D., Senior Director of Campus and Community Partnerships, Seattle University

Nick Stubbs, M.A., Community Partnerships Manager, Seattle University

In this session, we'll share details about Seattle University's current exploration of a community engaged learning requirement, including the convening of a planning committee with representation from faculty, Sundborg Center for Community Engagement staff, and community partners. We'll share lessons learned during this planning process, highlighting our intentional centering of community perspectives and feedback. Finally, we'll invite participants to discuss strategies for integrating CEL into departments and supporting community partners and measuring community impact.

Room Moderator and Introductions: Melissa Quan

Option 2: How Can Service Learning be a Transformative Experience for Post Traditional Learners, Raynor Library, Room 301

Cheryl Schwartz, M.A., Senior Director, RHCHP Service Learning and Global Health, Regis University

In this interactive workshop, participants will explore service learning/community engagement for "post traditional" students through the lenses of Ignatian pedagogy, critical consciousness, and cultural intelligence. Participants will be introduced to the tools of the Regis University Rueckert-Hartman College for Health Professions Service Learning critical consciousness matrix and cultural intelligence framework. Participants will gain practice in

using these tools to foster learner goal setting and reflection that contributes to personal transformation through service learning experiences.

Room Moderator and Introductions: Isabelle Jenkins

11:15am Break

11:25am Concurrent Sessions II

Option 1: Co-Creating Narrative Community Change, Raynor Beaumier Suite D

Julie Schumacher Cohen, MPA, Assistant Vice President, Community Engagement & Govt Affairs, The University of Scranton

This session will outline the project, "Scranton's Story, Our Nation's Story," supported by the National Endowment for the Humanities, which is a university-community collaborative initiative to share a multi-faceted story of Scranton, with a focus on underrepresented stories in ways that aim to broaden community belonging and foster a more just multi-racial democracy. The session will discuss the partnership and co-creation process and include practical program ideas, such as humanities-based lectures, dialogues, story exchanges, youth workshops, oral histories, and CBL course connections. Participants will be invited to discuss and consider dominant narratives in their own university and city and how co-producing a new, more representative, and honest story can help build a healthier community.

Room Moderator and Introductions: Patrick Green

Option 2: Navigating the Complexities of Community Partnerships in Experiential Learning: A Framework for Success, Raynor Library, 330B

Andrew Miller, M.Ed., Assistant Director, Academic Internships, Loyola University Chicago

Loyola's CELTS has formulated a conceptual framework for community partnerships, which guides what we look for in partnerships and capacity-development programming we offer to partners, all in an effort towards ensuring high-quality engagement for experiential learning. In this presentation, I aim to share the framework, discuss the process of its development, and delve into the factors that facilitate and enrich learning experiences with employer partners and community organizations. I will also explore ways of adapting the framework to suit the unique contexts of other academic institutions and discuss strategies and programming for enhancing experiential learning on your campus.

Room Moderator and Introductions: Eddie Godina

Option 3: An Introduction to the C.A.R.E. Engagement Framework: How to Inspire Students to CARE as Neighbors to Surrounding Communities and Get Engaged, Raynor Library Room 301

Kujegi Camara, Assistant Director for Community Engagement and Operations, Fordham University

In this session, I will introduce the C.A.R.E. Engagement Framework as a method to encourage, inspire, and empower students to become civic changemakers. Through interactive activities and exercises, I will share tools and strategies we can use to curate a reflective space that allows students the opportunity to process their experiences and meditate on the meanings behind the community engagement interactions that take place. Finally, I will share how the C.A.R.E. framework can be used as an innovative way to sustain student engagement and motivation and provide a pathway to institutionalize asset-based community engagement in accessible terms for students.

Room Moderator and Introductions: Kim Jensen Bohat

#### 12:30pm Lunch Buffet, Raynor Beaumier Suites B&C

Lunch is intentionally unprogrammed so that you can have time to catch up with colleagues, reflect on any of the morning sessions, network, and refresh for the afternoon activities. Please feel free to move around and sit at a different table so you are able to meet more people. Enjoy!

#### 1:30pm Workshop and Sharing Session 1- Raynor Beaumier Suites B&C

Festival of Failures, hosted by Dr. Susan Haarman, Loyola University- Chicago, Jorion Tucker, Loyola University- Chicago and Eddie Godina, Marquette University

The Festival of Failures invites our network of Community Engaged Learning Professionals to come together in a space where we can share and learn from our "failures" in community-based work. This session is built on the idea that in our everyday work and experience in community engagement & higher education, there are some things that can be done better, experiences that can

be learned from, and stories that can be shared. All too often we may feel the pressure to only talk about what's going well rather than acknowledge the complexity of our work and how we learned from difficult situations. The session will provide time for small group and personal reflection, and we encourage all participants to come ready to talk about something in their work they wish had turned out differently. Let's celebrate learning from the bumps in the road and missteps!

# 2:45pm Stretch Break, Snack Break, and Mini Outing- Featuring a Popcorn Bar

I don't know about you, but I hit the wall at 3pm and need a break! So, let's get out of this building and check out Marquette! In your survey you were asked for your tour preference, but if you change your mind, no big deal! And if you just need to be an introvert for awhile, that is OK too! Be back at 4pm!

## Options:

- 1.) Joan of Arc Chapel and Gesu Church, hosted by Campus Ministry
- 2.) <u>Haggerty Art Museum</u>, hosted by Christine Fleming, Director of Community Engagement for the Haggerty Art Museum.

Join the Haggerty Museum of Art for a tour. Together we will explore "The Greater Milwaukee Foundation's Mary L. Nohl Fund FELLOWSHIPS FOR INDIVIDUAL ARTISTS 2022" exhibition featuring local artists. Themes from this exhibition will serve as inspiration for a discussion around celebrating community and connection making.

- 3.) Campus Tour and Alumni Memorial Union: Hosted by University Admissions
- 4.) New Business School: hosted by Drew Stathus, Academic Technology Specialist, College of Business

#### 4:15pm AJCU CELP Network Panels

Option 1: Third Generation Community Engagement Professionals Panel, Raynor, Beaumier Suites B&C

This panel will feature new professionals to the community engagement field (new to the field in the past 3-5 years). New professionals bring energy, ideas, a critical eye, and questions about community engagement that are integral to our learning and understanding of the practice. Panelists will be provided with questions to consider, as well as participate in a larger conversation with the audience about where our field has been and where we may be going.

- Facilitator: Dr. Patrick Green, Loyola Chicago Panelists:
  - Eddie Godina, M.A., Assistant Director of Service Learning,
    Marquette University
  - Sarah Marr, Assistant Director of Community Engaged Learning, Gonzaga University
  - Jorion Tucker, M.A., Community Partnerships Coordinator, Loyola University Chicago

# Option 2: Sharing and Celebrating Recent Graduate-Level Scholarship Panel, Raynor Library, Room 330B

This panel will feature AJCU CELP professionals who have recently defended a master's thesis or a doctoral dissertation. Our network wants to hear about your scholarship and congratulate academic wins! Panelists will have the opportunity to share about their recent work, take questions from the audience, and take part in a conversation about the role of the post-graduate degree in the community engagement field.

#### Panelists:

- Susan Haarman, Ph.D., Associate Director of the Center for Engaged Learning, Teaching, and Scholarship, Loyola University Chicago
- Isabelle Jenkins, Ph.D., Director of the Donelan Office of Community-Based Learning, College of the Holy Cross
- Melissa Quan, Ed.D., Director, Center for Social Impact, Fairfield University

#### 5:30pm End of the Day- Dinner on your own!

If you are looking for a group to join for dinner, please meet outside the Beaumier Suites and we will help make plans, connect you, give dinner advice, and directions! Please see the website for some of our suggestions!

# Thursday, June 1

#### 8:00am Breakfast Buffet, Beaumier Suites, B&C

Nothing like a hot breakfast to get us going on a long day! We hope you have a great day!

#### 9:00am Workshop and Sharing Session

# Option 1: Publication and Scholarship, Raynor Library Room 301

Facilitated by: Dr. Patrick Green and Dr. Cynthia Stewart, Loyola University-Chicago

Publication and scholarship opportunities can allow you to slow down, reflect on your practice, and articulate ideas drawing from your knowledge and experiences. Applying the lens of a practitioner scholar can allow you to leverage your community-engaged learning practices and turn them into scholarly publications. In this session, we will discuss opportunities for reflective writing, collaborative writing, and scholarly work. The session will commence with an ideation and feedback session on writing/scholarly project ideas.

# Option 2: Faculty Development, Raynor Library, 330B

Facilitated by: Dr. Isabelle Jenkins, College of the Holy Cross and Dr. Melissa Quan, Fairfield University

This workshop will be a space for folks to hear from each other about ideas for faculty development regarding service learning and community engaged scholarship. We will hear from our colleagues about a few examples/models for professional development (Mary Conley from College of the Holy Cross; Susan Haarman from Loyola University Chicago), and then we will engage in discussion about successes and challenges regarding faculty development. Participants are encouraged to bring a theme/question/model regarding faculty professional development to "workshop." Participants will hopefully leave this workshop with ideas and tools regarding putting on meaningful and engaging faculty professional development at their institutions.

#### 10:15am **Break**

#### 10:30am **Group Picture**

If the weather cooperates, we will head outside for a group picture! Say Cheese! I mean, you are in Wisconsin!

#### 10:40am Business Meeting, Raynor Library Beaumier Suites B&C

Led by: Dr. Patrick Green, Dr. Melissa Quan, and Dr. Cynthia Stewart- AJCU CELPs Leadership Team

Join us for an update on conference business, upcoming elections for the next co-chair, a pitch for the next gathering host for 2025, the upcoming IARSCLE conference at Tulane, and so much more! Bring any ideas you have for upcoming programing and collaboration opportunities.

# 11:45am Conference Closing Reflection, Raynor Beaumier Suites B&C

Led by: Dr. Jennifer Maney, Director of the Center for Teaching and Learning, Marquette University

# 12:15pm Box lunches To Go

Feel free to stick around to eat if you have time or grab a box to go. Eddie and members of our team will be around for airport shuttle drop offs, please touch base with them. Thank you so much for joining us. We hope you enjoyed your time on campus and in Milwaukee. Safe travels!

