

We invite participants of the Interdisciplinary Dialogue to join together in submitting 1-2 page seed grant proposals that delve more deeply into the following interdisciplinary theme:

**Student Engagement:**

Exploring together what works, what is challenging, and how we might deliver on the opportunity

We know that deepening student engagement is beneficial, and increasingly, required. As a public university, we are facing urgent demands to connect with students more deeply. Funders and foundations are looking for programs that involve students in research, incorporating undergraduates, graduate students and faculty in collaboration. As a key priority for the Office of the Provost through their Public Scholarship and Engagement program, improving student engagement also represents a growing opportunity.

Yet even if faculty desire to improve outreach and engagement, the path to success is neither obvious nor easy. WHAT (and who) exactly do we mean by student engagement? WHEN are students best engaged? WHERE (and how) are students best engaged? WHY is student engagement important and beneficial?