Community Engagement and Community Engaged Learning

Program Mission: Engaging with our greater community to enhance health and wellbeing and promote social accountability & global citizenship

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2019 Highlights

➢ Co-ordinated 160 Population Health Class Community Excursions with local community agencies, Orientation and Reflection for the 1st year UME learners.
➢ Updated orientation.
➢ Established eleven strong local community agency partnerships
➢ Established 4 community Engaged learning opportunities.
  o Partnered with Calgary Catholic Immigrant Services (CCIS) for Immigrant Senior Awards (Oct 2019) and Senior Needs Assessment research Project (Jan 2020). Established 2 CEL opportunity for Seniors Distinction Award; Judges, Nomination writing support.
  o Partnered with Immigrant Services Calgary for the United Youth Conference and had 1 poster presentation and a booth during the conference.
  o Coordinated RISE for Health, Immigrant Youth Project Phase III and selected for 3 abstracts and 3 poster presentations for Newcomers Symposium (Mobilizing Knowledge on Newcomers Symposium, 2019) and one abstract, poster presentation and presentation for Global Child Health 4th Annual Conference (Nov 2019).
➢ Partnered with CCIS for a senior needs assessment research project which will start in January 2020.
➢ Partnered with Immigrant Services Calgary (ISC) for another immigrant research project due to start after April 2020.
➢ Partnered with Renfrew Educational Services (RES) for an autistic children and families research project, pending 2020 strategic vision.
By the Numbers – student and trainees

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Upcoming Activities and Timelines

- Recruit learners for Immigrant Senior Research Jan (Launch)
- Continue coordinating Immigrant Youth Project (Phase IV) Jan-September
- Co-developed and deliver multi year Immigrant Seniors Project Jan - December
  - With CCIS
- Update and expand CEL documents March
- Update and expand CEL Resource Package June
- Program planning within new strategy Sept
- H-Pop excursion transition strategy plan March – May
- Awards Program (develops CE Awards) now

Challenges

- Managing the challenging schedules of learners, especially UME students.
- Integrating leadership direction within strategic priorities, including managing community partner expectations and timelines.
- Collecting project end reflections is challenging. Pilot innovations in critical reflection will be executed.

Opportunities for Future

- Pilot innovations in critical reflection will be executed.
- SHINE for Refugee health and SHINE – Youth wellness groups would like to collaborate with RISE for Health for Youth Projects.
- UME Geriatric Interest Group and PGME Geriatric Interest Group is interested in partnering with RISE for Health Senior Projects.
- Flourishing and strengthening the partnerships that we have built and generating new CE and CEL activities that develops organically from these partnerships.
- Due to HPOP course, the CEL profile increased and UME students are increasingly requesting CEL opportunities.