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**Description**

Agenda documenting time and dates of speaker presentations. Presentations varied from topics surrounding higher education, community-engaged research, service learning, collaboration between education and communities, and community-academic partner spotlights.

**Location**

VCU ASPiRE, 835 West Grace Street, Richmond, Virginia

**Disciplines**

Civic and Community Engagement | Community-Based Learning | Community-Based Research | Higher Education | Service Learning

**Presenter Information**

Vedette Gavin, Lynn E. Pelco, Katie Elliott, Valerie Holton, Jennifer Early, and Erin B. Brown

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Tuesday, May 16, 2017

8:00 am	<b>Registration, Coffee, Mingling</b>
8:15 am	<b>Welcome Remarks</b>
8:30 am	<b>Keynote Address (Vedette Gavin, Director of Research, Conservation Law Foundation)</b>
9:30 am	<b>Traditional Research to Community Engaged Process</b>
9:45 am	<b>Break</b>
	<b>21<sup>st</sup> Century Community Engagement (Lynn Pelco, Ph.D., Associate vice provost of Community engagement):</b> The higher education landscape is changing, and universities of the future may bear little resemblance to the institutions that have existed for the past 100 years. This workshop will help participants understand the intersections between a changing higher education landscape and community engagement. Participants will explore new models for organizing academic work (i.e., teaching, research, and service) in ways that promote student success and address community-identified needs.
11:15 am	<b>Community-Engaged Scholarship &amp; Student Learning Lightning Rounds</b>
11:30 am	<b>Interest Area Networking Breakouts</b>
12:00 pm	<b>LUNCH (on your own) &amp; Continued Networking</b>
1:00 pm	<b>Refocus &amp; Reflect</b>
1:15 pm	<b>*Community-Academic Partnership Spotlight: Developing and Extending the Scope of Seymour's Living Learning Lab, Marcia Winter &amp; CMOR</b>
1:30 pm	<b>Intro to Community-Engaged Research and Service Learning (Katie Elliott, MA, Associate director, Service-Learning, and Valerie Holton, Ph.D., LCSW, Director of community-engaged research):</b> The purpose of this workshop is to provide participants with an introduction of community-engaged research (CEnR) and service learning (SL) at VCU. Academics will be encouraged to think of the 3 traditional aspects of academic work (research, teaching, and service) as doors that they can open to collaborate with community partners in an integrated portfolio of scholarship. Community partners will be encouraged to consider how community initiatives align with academic aspects of research, teaching, and service.
3:00 pm	<b>Course Spotlight</b>
3:15 pm	<b>Coffee Break</b>
3:30 pm	<b>Reciprocity in Community-Engaged Scholarship (Valerie Holton, Ph.D., LCSW, Director of community-engaged research):</b> Community-engaged research and teaching involve collaboration between higher education institutions and their larger communities for the mutually-beneficial exchange of knowledge and resources. This session will explore the extent to which community-engaged academic work benefits both the academy and members of the broader community.
4:30pm	<b>Community-Engaged Research/Service Learning Breakout:</b> This session offers participants the opportunity to receive shoulder-to-shoulder guidance from community-engaged scholars right here at VCU.
5:00pm	<b>Adjourn</b>


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 <b>Wednesday, May 17, 2017</b>	
8:00 am	<b>Registration, Coffee, Mingling</b>
8:15 am	<b>Community-Engaged Scholarship &amp; Student Learning Lightening Rounds</b>
8:30 am	<b>Inclusive Collaboration (Jennifer Early, RN, MSHA, Research associate and strategic project manager):</b> This workshop introduces foundational concepts related to diversity and inclusion in community-academic engagement and applies these concepts to the early stages of initiating and stewarding partnerships for community-engaged teaching and research.
10:00 am	<b>Break</b>
10:15 am	<b>Initiating &amp; Sustaining Community-Academic Partnerships (Erin Burke Brown, Ph.D., Director, ASPIRE):</b> This workshop presents “5 Simple Steps” for initiating and sustaining community-academic partnerships. Participants will move through the 5 steps to consider the unique aspects of community-academic partnerships, the importance of deliberate and intentional conversations to find mutual benefit, and knowing when/if to terminate the partnership.
11:45 am	<b>CEnR &amp; SL Networking Breakouts</b>
12:00 pm	<b>LUNCH (on your own) &amp; Continued Networking</b>
1:00 pm	<b>Refocus &amp; Reflect</b>
1:15 pm	<b>*Community -Academic Partnership Spotlights:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Designing a Place to Be</b>, Staci Carr &amp; A Grace Place</li><li>• <b>Improving the Lives of LGBTQ + Young Richmonders of Color</b>, Bethany Coston &amp; Virginia Anti-Violence Project</li></ul>
1:45 pm	<b>Walking The Talk (Audrey Trussell, Assistant to the vice provost, Division of Community Engagement):</b> This workshop reviews best practices of communicating about the work of community-academic partnerships. Participants will hear real world examples of how VCU has broadly communicated engaged work on national and local levels.
3:15 pm	<b>Coffee Break</b>
3:30 pm	<b>Wrap-Up: Road-map to VCU-RVA. (Vedette Gavin, Director of Research, Conservation Law Foundation):</b> This facilitated workshop takes everything we’ve learned and creates a road-map to our future work together.
5:00 pm	<b>Adjourn</b>

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