

**Indiana State University
Community Engagement Activities
Department Annual Report
2005**

Project Name:

Center for Health, Religion, & Spirituality Programs

Description

This Center, established three years ago, conducts approximately 50 hours of community programming per annum . Activities include national and local guest speakers (academics, clergy, health-care providers), special training workshops, and other events. Attendance at events normally ranges from 10-40 (with over 100 attending one guest lecture).

How do you see community engagement activities fitting in with your department in the future?

The Psychology Department views involvement with the community in both service endeavors as well as in research as important in our department's success and we expect this engagement to continue.

What do you feel has been the impact of the project?

The Center has been extremely successful at initiating conversation between academic researchers, clergy, and medical personnel interested in improving the quality of health for people in the Wabash valley. Various educational programs have been provided for the academic and local community as a result of these collaborations.

Faculty involved with students in this project outside of class

Dr. Tom Johnson
Dr. Jean Kristeller
Dr. Betsy Frank
etc.

Who from the community is involved?

Brother Barry Donahue, Board Member (Sisters of Providence)
Reverend Jimmy Watson, Board Member (United Church of Christ)
Pastor Duane Caperton, Board Member (United Methodist Church)
other local clergy as well as medical personnel

Who from ISU is involved?

Dr. Jean Kristeller, Director (Psychology)
Dr. Thomas Johnson, Co-director (Psychology)
Dr. Rocco Gennaro, Board Member (Philosophy)
Dr. Virgil Sheets, Board Member (Psychology)
Dr. Betsy Frank (College of Nursing)

Number of Students	Where it takes/took place	Is this activity ongoing
varies from event to event	Cunningham Library, Root Hall, the Landsbaum Center, and other locations as	Yes

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Project Name:
Spiritual Transformation Project

Description

This is an externally-funded research project intended to explore the role of spirituality in improvement of functioning of people undergoing cancer treatment.

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What do you feel has been the impact of the project?

This project has continued to expand our positive relationship with this center and improves the likelihood of gaining external funding for research in this area.

Faculty involved with students in this project outside of class

Dr. Kristeller
Dr. Johnson
Dr. Frank
Dr. Sheets

Who from the community is involved?

Dr. Reddy (Hope Center)
Dr. Chakrabarti (Hope Center)

Who from ISU is involved?

Dr. Jean Kristeller (Psychology)
Dr. Tom Johnson (Psychology)
Dr. Betsy Frank (Psychology)
Dr. Virgil Sheets (Psychology)
Sarah Frost (Psychology)

Number of Students	Where it takes/took place	Is this activity ongoing
3	Department of Psychology & Hope Center	Yes

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Project Name:

Conference on Spirituality & Addictions

Description

This conference sponsored by the Center for Health, Religion, & Spirituality focussed on the role of spirituality in preventing and overcoming substance abuse. Over 180 people attended.

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What do you feel has been the impact of the project?

This generated a considerable amount of attention and interest in the Center, its programs, and in the Psychology Department both locally and across the nation. By all reports, it was a considerable success.

Faculty involved with students in this project outside of class

Dr. Tom Johnson
Dr. Jean Kristeller
Dr. Virgil Sheets

Who from the community is involved?

Too numerous to mention.

Who from ISU is involved?

Dr. Tom Johnson
Dr. Jean Kristeller
Many others made presentations or attended events.

Number of Students	Where it takes/took place	Is this activity ongoing
numerous	Landsbaum Center	No

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Project Name:

Undergraduate Field Placements (Internships)

Description

Undergraduates complete a field placement in various Wabash Valley organizations.

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What do you feel has been the impact of the project?

These internships are an essential learning opportunity for our students and provide approximately 5000 hours of volunteer service (120/student) for important community organizations.

Faculty involved with students in this project outside of class

Dr. Liz O'Laughlin

Who from the community is involved?

Internship supervisors at various sites.

Who from ISU is involved?

Dr. Liz O'Laughlin (field placement coordinator)
Dr. Kerri Salamanca
Dr. Jean Kristeller
Dr. Jennifer Boothby

Number of Students	Where it takes/took place	Is this activity ongoing
40	various sites	Yes

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Project Name:
Healthy Heart Program

Description

Conducting stress management classes for approximately 3 cardiac rehabilitation patients per month.

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What do you feel has been the impact of the project?

The classes have been well-received by hospital staff and patients alike, and we are exploring other opportunities for providing services and conducting research at this site.

Faculty involved with students in this project outside of class

Dr. Kym Bennett

Who from the community is involved?

Richard Lutz, Head of Emergency & Cardiac Services (Union Hospital)

Who from ISU is involved?

Dr. Kym Bennett

Number of Students	Where it takes/took place	Is this activity ongoing
1 grad student	Union Hospital	Yes

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Project Name:
Clinical Psychology Placements

Description

Doctoral students in psychology provide approximately 18000 hours of free or reduced fee clinical services as part of the Psy.D. training program.

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What do you feel has been the impact of the project?

This is an essential part of the clinical training program and contributes strongly to both our accreditation and the success of our students in obtaining accredited clinical internships and later employment.

Faculty involved with students in this project outside of class

Dr. Michael Murphy & other departmental faculty

Who from the community is involved?

Placement supervisors.

Who from ISU is involved?

Dr. Michael Murphy, Director of Clinical Training
Dr. Liz O'Laughlin
Dr. Jean Kristeller
Dr. Jennifer Boothby
Dr. June Sprock

Number of Students	Where it takes/took place	Is this activity ongoing
approx. 30	various locations	Yes