Call for Applications: 2023 Community Engaged Scholars (CES) Faculty Research Opportunity

The Eigel Center for Community Engaged Learning announces a program to support Xavier faculty in the implementation of research that engages community partners through shared academic and community goals. The program is designed to:

- Further the production of Community-Based and Service-Learning research by Xavier faculty;
- Improve service learning pedagogy and practices using a research-based approach;
- Foster dialogue and support for faculty involved in community based research;
- Provide the Eigel Center's Community Engaged Fellows (CEF) a collaborative community engaged research experience mentored by our faculty.

To support small-scale research projects, the Eigel Center will award mini-grants to faculty who elect to undertake and present a study in collaboration with a civic partner related to an identified community issue, and/or examine the broader impact of community-engaged teaching and learning. The research can include quantitative, qualitative, mixed methods or case studies.

Mini-grant recipients will participate in a community of practice commencing in late spring that will provide mutual support as the research is undertaken. Each faculty awardee will be paired with an undergraduate Community Engaged Fellow (CEF) who will serve as a research assistant during summer 2023, and provide additional support for the project through fall 2023. CEF's are scholarship students from over 15 different majors experienced in community development principles and committed to weekly service over their four years.

To apply, submit the following statement of interest to eigelcenter@xavier.edu by January 15, 2023.
- Description of the research goal/s. Provide context for the research and a description of the community partner. (250 words)
- Description of your proposed methodology and research plan. How do you propose to undertake this research? (150 words)
- Description of a plan to involve a Community Engaged Fellow as a Research Assistant. (250 words). Information about the CEF program can be found here.