



## Have your course CBL designated!

Have your course CBL designated! If you are reading this, you could already be teaching a course that meets the basic criteria for official Community-Based Learning or CBL designation. Courses that incorporate community engagement into their work (in-person or virtual) may be formally designated as [Community-Based Learning \(CBL\)](#) courses through the University Curriculum Committee (UCC). Community-Based Learning adds value to your student's education and can instantly put them on the road to building their important professional networks. Community partners may include nonprofit organizations, schools, faith-based organizations, businesses, and industry.

Questions regarding CBL designation may be directed to the Director of Civic Learning and Community Engagement, Travus Burton ([burtotra@gvsu.edu](mailto:burtotra@gvsu.edu)).

# Roger That! Conference



Roger That! 2024 is focusing on Life in Space! Wait, does that mean living things on other celestial bodies, missions to find microbes, or considerations about where else in our solar system could life be present? Or are we talking about life in space, like what is it like to be a human in space? The answer is yes! It will take a look at "life" very broadly, including microbes, plants, animals, extraterrestrial life and homo sapiens, the only life form (that we know of!) that has intentionally left the Earth to explore what lies beyond.

Roger That VIII will start on Friday, February 16th with a variety of online speakers then transition to in-person events later in the day. There will be events at the Grand Rapids Public Museum on Saturday, February 17th.

[Details](#)



## Democracy 101: A Series of Critical Conversations

**Date: January 31**

Presentation Title: Democracy in Ancient Athens: What We Can Learn About How to Change the World

Description: Learn about the practice of democracy in Ancient Athens in this interactive workshop. Participants will engage in discussion about what we can learn today from the western democracy.

**Date: February 28**

Presentation Title: Young People Changing the World in History

Description: Be inspired by the history of youth activism in recent history. Panelists will discuss youth political action in during the 20th Century. Participants will learn about the impact made by young people organizing for change.

**Date: March 27**

Presentation Title: Today's Young People Changing the World

Description: Meet fellow GVSU students and other young people who are organizing around issues that matter, from environmental justice to gun safety and immigration. Learn from students who are making a difference and about how you can too!

**Where: MARY IDEMA PEW LIBRARY MULTIPURPOSE ROOM**

**All events will take place from 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.**

[Details](#)



## Engaged Scholars Initiative

Campus Compact in partnership with the University of Nebraska at Omaha, is now accepting applications for the 2024-2025 cohort of the Engaged Scholars Initiative (ESI).



This is an opportunity to strengthen your community-engaged scholarship and develop your leadership skills in civic and community engagement by joining the 2024-2025 cohort. Those selected will form a closely connected network of diverse early-career scholars and participate in yearlong programming grounded in community building, scholarship, field leadership, and individualized support.

The cost to participate is \$1,000 per person. Limited scholarships are available.

**Applications are due Friday, April 19.**

Apply



## Engagement Scholarship Consortium: Call for Proposals

The Engagement Scholarship Consortium seeks proposals for our [annual conference](#) on October 9-10, 2024, in Portland, Oregon.

The 2024 theme will be "Pathways to Prosperity: Building Sustainable Futures through Community Engagement."

The 2024 ESC Conference will be a place for engaging conversations about the many

ways that we work collaboratively to define and build social and economic prosperity. We will come together to share the outcomes and impact of our work, explore new ideas and approaches to building pathways for change, and co-create solutions to society's most pressing problems. Presentation proposals will be considered on any topic clearly connected to the advancement of community engagement.

**Proposals are due April 1, 2024.**

[Submit a proposal](#)



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