

Selkregg



Community Engagement and Service Learning Award

The Selkregg and Iden families welcome you to celebrate the Selkregg Community Engagement and Service Learning Award. The Award encourages, rewards and inspires UAA faculty to creatively engage their students in learning and research that benefits the students and the community at large. It recognizes community engagement projects with significant discipline-based scholarship, community partnership and student leadership development. The projects should improve the quality of life for Alaskans and develop ethical values, civic leadership, democracy and social justice on campus and in the community.

10TH ANNIVERSARY

2014 RECIPIENTS

Rebecca Robinson, Psychology



Partner: *Refugee and Immigration Services Program (RAIS), Catholic Social Services*

Professor Robinson continues a longstanding partnership with RAIS that began while she was a graduate student in clinical/community psychology. For the next year, she proposes to complete

a local needs assessment for the refugee populations in Anchorage by gathering qualitative data from refugees and community organizations that serve refugees. A PhotoVoice project with refugees, combining photography with grassroots social action, will provide insight into how they conceptualize their circumstances and help solve problems they face.

James Fitterling, Psychology



Partners: *Homeward Bound, Anchorage Rescue Mission, Habitat for Humanity Anchorage, First Covenant Church of Anchorage*

Professor Fitterling designed a partnership that brings organizations together with volunteer homeless individuals in building adequate housing for Anchorage families

unable to obtain conventional house financing. His past experience as chief of a chemical dependence treatment program in Mississippi demonstrated the therapeutic rationale for providing people with opportunities to engage in productive activities. He will replicate a similar collaboration in Anchorage, including qualitative research and a PhotoVoice project.

PAST RECIPIENTS



2012 - Irasema Ortega College of Education

Partner: *Kashunamiut School District*

Professor Ortega's work strengthened an existing partnership between the Kashunamiut School District and the College of Education. Ortega collaborated on curriculum for Alaska Native teachers to teach science from Native and Western perspectives, including knowledge of the elders and promoting a more harmonious, sustainable view of the natural world.



2011 - Tracey Burke School of Social Work

Partners: *Food Bank of Alaska, United Way, Lutheran Social Services*

Professor Burke worked with UAA students to conduct research with the users of food pantries and produce a series of "Day in the Life" sketches of poverty and hunger. By partnering with the Food Bank of Alaska and associated agencies, Burke and students identified challenges and opportunities for new strategies to reduce hunger for Anchorage families.



2010 - Catherine Sullivan School of Nursing

Partner: *Catholic Social Services, Refugee Assistance and Immigration Services (RAIS) Program*

Senior nursing students worked with the Refugee Youth Music Group in Mountain View to identify and address health needs and concerns, such as the stress of relocating to a new country, building a positive peer support network or how to access health care in a new land.



2009 - Michael Sobocinski Human Services

Partners: *United Way of Anchorage, Division of Juvenile Justice, Division of Behavioral Health and Office of Children's Service.*

Professor Sobocinski created a new class in which students developed collaborative projects for at-risk youth, with a focus on improving a "triple bottom line" of financial sustainability, personal and community change and environmental stewardship.



2008 - Kathi Trawver School of Social Work

Partners: *Anchorage Coalition on Homelessness, Mayor's Office, other social service providers*

Social Work students helped plan, present and evaluate the 2009 Project Homeless Connect event, a nationally recognized one-day, one-stop event that provides direct access to housing, services and hospitality to individuals, families and children experiencing homelessness.



2007 - Andre Rosay Justice Center

Partners: *McLaughlin Youth Center, Big Brothers Big Sisters of Alaska*

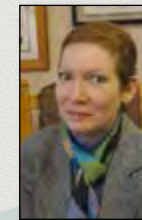
Undergraduate students were recruited, screened, trained and supervised to serve as mentors, support the successful transition of youth from McLaughlin to their home communities.



2006 - Amy Swango-Wilson School of Nursing

Partners: *Hope Community Resources, Arctic Resource Center, Assets*

Nursing students assisted in the evaluation of a sex education pilot program for the developmentally disabled population, designed to reduce the incidence of sexual abuse and exploitation.



2005 - Mari Ippolito Psychology

Partner: *Anchorage School District*

Child Development students served as volunteers and research assistants in the "I Can Do" program, aimed at improving problem-solving skills and increasing psychological resilience, hopefulness and parental involvement for families.

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