



Urban Community Engagement Fellows Program



Applications Due End of March

Program is during the fall and spring semesters

The Urban Community Engagement Fellows (UCEF) Program is a joint initiative of Michigan State University's Graduate School and the Office of University Outreach and Engagement.

UCEF will pair a multidisciplinary team of MSU graduate students with Lansing-area community partners to envision and complete collaborative community-identified projects that make a substantive difference in revitalizing Lansing.

Like many mid-sized metropolitan areas, the Greater Lansing region is in a period of re-envisioning and revitalization, with a great opportunity to build upon its heritage and strengths while embracing neighborhood and downtown redevelopment possibilities.

UCEF participants are expected to:

- Focus on community-identified priorities.
- Ground their approach and activities in diversity, equity, inclusion, justice, and belonging.
- Emphasize reciprocity and mutual benefit in partnerships.
- Take a strengths-based approach.
- Address underlying causes and identify levers of community change.
- Collaborate with a multidisciplinary cohort of fellows for learning, action, and reflection.
- Generate deliverables of value to both community partners and graduate fellows.
- Share their experiences through a research poster or presentation, developed in collaboration with cohort members.

Who Can Apply

This fellowship program is for **MSU graduate students** with an interest in interdisciplinary approaches to community engagement in urban areas. UCEF welcomes applicants from all colleges and programs. Applicants should be enrolled as full-time graduate students, making good progress toward degree completion, and in good academic standing.

Compensation

Fellows will receive \$7,500 total for the two semesters.

Further Information and Application

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