EXTENDING IOWA’S REACH

The Office of Outreach and Engagement fosters mutually beneficial partnerships between the University of Iowa campus and community members and organizations. We strengthen teaching, learning, and research by connecting faculty, staff, and students to people and places across the state. The resulting innovative teaching and learning transforms communities and improves quality of life while preparing students for work, life, and citizenship.

SERVICES WE PROVIDE

Our work with faculty, staff, and students includes:

• **Service-learning course administration**, including assistance with syllabus modification, community partner connections, and project management
• **Community-based research support** through grants and connections to community partners
• **Internal grants** to fund community-engagement activities of faculty, staff, and students
• **Marketing and promotion** for community engagement activities across campus
• **Coaching and consultation**, sharing community engagement expertise and best practices

We connect community, government, school and other organizations to UI experts through:

• **Projects** completed by University of Iowa students and faculty, addressing community needs in:
  • Community and economic development
  • Cultural vitality
  • Environmental sustainability
  • Community health
• **Performances, lectures, and workshops** by University of Iowa faculty and students
• **UI Program Directory** of community engagement resources in other units across campus
• **Consultation and referrals**, offering innovative problem-solving strategies for complex issues

See projects we’ve completed: [OUTREACH.UIOWA.EDU/PROJECTS](http://OUTREACH.UIOWA.EDU/PROJECTS).

“I commend the UI team on their innovative approach, methodology, professionalism, and for developing a plan that was successfully implemented. Pearl Street Park has made a significant contribution to the landscape in downtown Sioux City.”

Michelle M. Bostinelos, Executive Director, SIMPCO
MAKING A DIFFERENCE

Outreach and Engagement works in 92 of Iowa’s 99 counties.

50,000+ hours of community-engaged learning projects are completed each year in Iowa by UI students.

Over 95% of students working with the Office of Outreach and Engagement say community engagement helps them further develop skills related to their major and career goals.

“...is a wonderful resource to improve teaching and research in ways that benefit both students and community organizations.”

Megan E. Gilster, MSW, PhD, University of Iowa assistant professor of social work

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