

LEARNING OUTSIDE THE CLASSROOM

CALL FOR PROPOSALS

Principal Presenter

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Principal Presenter Biography

Barbara Clow is Executive Director of the Atlantic Centre of Excellence for Women's Health and Associate Professor Research in the Faculty of Health Professions at Dalhousie University, Halifax. She has a PhD in the history of medicine from the University of Toronto. In the past ten years, Dr. Clow has pursued a program of research and publication on diverse aspects of Canadian women's health, including the gendered dimensions and social determinants of health and well-being.

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Co-Presenter Presenter Biography

Kathy Petite joined the Atlantic Centre of Excellence for Women's Health (ACEWH) in 2009 as the Research Coordinator. She has over 5 years direct research experience coordinating interdisciplinary, multi-method projects in health focused disciplines. In 2008, Kathy graduated with an M.A in Family Studies and Gerontology from MSVU, Halifax that she credits in part to work opportunities and a Healthy Balance scholarship both through ACEWH. She also has a B.Sc. (Psychology) from Dalhousie University.

Co-Presenter: 2-3 others to be identified

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Session Information

Title of Session: Hidden Jewels: Exploring experiential learning opportunities in the university environment

Session Type

- 50-minute presentation
- 50-minute panel
- 50-minute workshop
- 50-minute round table session

Abstract (200 words or less)

Experiential learning brings learning out of the classroom into the “real” world providing the opportunity for students to attain, develop, and practice skill sets that can be capitalized on when they leave university. What kinds of experiential learning opportunities exist in our own university environment? The Atlantic Centre of Excellence for Women’s Health (ACEWH) is an example of such an opportunity. Since 1999, undergraduates and graduates have had significant opportunities to develop research skills in addition to transferable professional workplace skills. This roundtable session will present the perspectives of both current and past students and staff. Opportunities such as those offered by ACEWH provide value added to both students and the university at the same time that ACEWH benefits from the resources provided by the students. The goal of this session is to explore ways to ensure that these opportunities do not get lost. How can they be marketed both within the university as well as to potential students? Are we, the university, taking advantage of these opportunities or are we a hidden asset? Do we know what other opportunities exist in the university community? Opening up dialogue on this topic will provide the chance to begin addressing these questions.

Technical Requirements

Rooms are equipped with laptop computers, vcr/dvd players, projection screens, white boards, overhead-transparency projectors, and data projectors. Please fill in any ADDITIONAL needs in the space provided.

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