

Community-based Capstone Host-site Proposal

Center for Civic Engagement & Learning

Thank you for your interest in submitting a proposal for a community-based capstone course. The Case Center for Civic Engagement & Learning (CCEL) is interested in promoting projects that address agency priorities and community needs, while providing a substantive learning experience for the Case undergraduate student.

Capstone Information

The SAGES capstone courses at Case Western Reserve University demonstrate the culmination of knowledge, initiative, problem-solving, and communication skills that students have acquired as Case undergraduates. While some capstones will emerge from existing or new departmental courses, there is an exciting opportunity to develop new community-based projects that could be pursued by individual or by small groups of students in consultation with faculty and community capstone mentors.

These courses may vary widely in nature, as deemed appropriate for various disciplines by the department offering each course. There are, however, some unifying principles for all SAGES capstones. Across the university, SAGES capstones must include:

- Critical thinking on the part of the student.
- Clear goals with an appropriate plan of action.
- Regular oversight by the project adviser.
- Periodic reporting of progress.
- Regular writing (e.g. drafts, progress reports, critiques) throughout the project including a final written report which may be a thesis or equivalent document associated with the project or activity, (e.g., such pursuits as performance, experiment, live case analysis, or creative writing), as approved by the department of capstone origin.
- A public presentation at the Senior Capstone Fair, a conference, a performance, a public lecture, a teaching presentation, or other, as approved by the department of capstone origin.

At CCEL, we can work with you to see if your organization may have a project that will meet the needs of a capstone course, while furthering your work. We can also help identify CWRU juniors and/or seniors who would be interested in pursuing a capstone with your organization.

Questions and Additional Information

We would be happy to speak with you more about the program. Please contact Betsy Banks, Case Center for Civic Engagement & Learning, 216-368-5231 or ewb@case.edu.

(please see reverse for application; email us for electronic version)

Part I: Applicant Information

Organization Name:

Address:

Phone: ()

Fax: ()

Hours of Operation:

Contact Person:

Title:

Contact Person's Phone: ()

E-mail Address:

Mission of the Organization:

Part II: Capstone Description

Please describe the proposed community-based capstone in as much detail as possible, including the following information.

Do you envision this project involving one or several students?

Description of project/s the student/s will be working on over the course of a semester.

What will the student create or produce by the conclusion of the project?

Specific skills/experience required for the student/s undertaking this capstone project.

To be beneficial to your organization, when would this project need to be completed?

End of Fall Semester, 2009

Flexible time-line

End of Spring Semester, 2010

Other: _____

***Please submit completed proposal to Betsy Banks,
Case Center for Civic Engagement & Learning, ewb@case.edu or fax: 216-368-0839.***