



DONALD AND BARBARA
ZUCKER SCHOOL *of* MEDICINE
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Application for Graduation with Distinction in Community Engagement

The purpose of the honorific award of Graduation with Distinction in Community Engagement is to recognize students at the Donald and Barbara Zucker School of Medicine who have made significant impact in the community and progress toward a career as a social justice advocate. Distinction means that the work was community-informed and carried out in collaboration with and through the community itself. Impact is defined as the likelihood for the project to have a measurable, sustained, powerful influence on promoting the health and well-being of the community.

Requirements are as follow:

- The initiative or scope of work must adhere to the principles of community engagement.
- The design of the project/work should be community- informed and address a significant need.
- The work should have an evaluation and sustainability plan.
- The work must have measurable impact.
- The student must have had a leadership role or individually played a key role in the work accomplished during the student's matriculation at the Zucker School of Medicine. Of note, this leadership role can be accomplished as part of an existing project.
- The individual student must have made a substantial contribution to all the following: the formulation of the project/initiative, the design of co-partnered project, involvement in the service activities of project and preparation of a summative scholarly product.
- This application has the following parts: one to be completed by the student, the other by the mentor/advisor, the third from a community partner, an updated CV and a copy of the summative scholarly product must be attached to the application.

Suggested Template for Summative Scholarly Product should include the following elements and can be in the form of a Powerpoint or Word Document:

- Introduction/Background
- Student Role in Project
- Project Summary
- Logic Model
- Statement of Community Based Need
- Description of Program/Intervention
- Timeline
- Budget
- Evaluation Design
- Measures of Success
- Lessons Learned

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