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### Engaging Faculty and Students Across Departments to Increase Community Engagement

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## Engaging Faculty and Students Across Departments to Improve Community Engagement

This Brown Bag discussion will allow participants to discuss the importance of multi-disciplinary collaboration both with respect to student professional development and to serve under-represented groups in the community.

The College of Education and Allied Health Professions at Fontbonne University has developed several interdisciplinary camp type programs designed to both prepare students to develop collaborative skills and to serve needs in the community. A brief example of one such camp will be described to begin the discussion. Some participants will share their own existing programs and others can use the time to brainstorm possibilities and get feedback. These types of initiatives can facilitate professional preparation and increase the visibility of the program in the community.