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CBRC News

Winter 2015

Our New Year Resolution

CBR Canada has entered 2015 full of energy, buoyed by a very successful National Summit - Pursuing Excellence in Collaborative Community-Campus Research - held last November in Waterloo, in collaboration with the Centre for CBR (CCBR) based in Kitchener. An exciting outcome of the Summit is the development of a nationwide network of regional hubs of excellence in CBR extending from the Yukon and BC to Newfoundland building on collaborative research strengths and addressing priority societal issues such as indigenous child and family well-being, community impacts of climate change, food security, civic participation in municipal government, and innovation in rural resource economies.

We are looking forward to our bi-annual C²U EXPO Conference in Ottawa, May 26-29th. Check out the [C²U Expo 2015 website](#) for info on our CBRC-sponsored pre-conference workshops on May 26th including our lunchtime members' meeting. The timing could not be better for holding our C²U Expo and CBRC gathering in our nation's capital. Key community, policy and academic leaders and networks, together with CU national and global innovation champions will be participating as we collectively strive to ensure C²U Expo 2015's long-term impact on Canadian engaged research practice, public policy and institutional supports.

CBRC is well supported by a strong national Steering Committee and is progressing with the implementation of its new strategic plan. We continue our outreach to Canadian universities, community organizations and individual members. This year we are extending our invitation for membership to Canada's community colleges with established or emerging community-engaged research programs. CBRC promotes and supports research collaborations among our universities and colleges, working with their community partners to address issues of local, regional and national priority.

Based on feedback from the CBRC Fall Survey we will focus in the coming months on increasing our on-line learning resources and networking opportunities for CBRC member researchers, students and practitioners.

Read on to learn more about what's happening and we hope to see many of you at C²U Expo in May in Ottawa. And please, get in touch anytime with us at info@communitybasedresearch.ca.



Katherine Graham
CBRC Chair



CBRC Member Meeting, November 2014



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CBRC: Our Vision

A vibrant society in Canada enabled by community based research that addresses major societal challenges.

Our Mission

To be a national champion and facilitator for collaborative community based research and community-campus engagement in Canada.

Our Goals

- Advance Research, Policy and Advocacy Engagement
- Catalyze a National Movement and Capacity Building
- Support Communications and Networks

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National Summit Highlights



65 Community and academic leaders from all parts of Canada attended



Lively, informative and respectful discussions

The theme for the summit was *pursuing excellence in collaborative community-campus research* and the summit was structured to do this through discussing and better understanding: categories of excellence, indicators of excellence and hubs of excellence. Breakout sessions on these focus areas were brought to life by participants' cases studies and experiences in action and change, research design, equitable participation and community relevance.

Check out the [CCCR National Summit Proceedings](#) to find out more.

CCBR also developed a document on [Preliminary Indicators of Excellence](#) based on information gathered from the pre-Summit literature review and participant case studies in addition to the raw data collected during the Summit. The [Case Studies](#) presented at the Summit and a Summit [Backgrounder](#) were also compiled and made available by CCCR.

Thanks to everyone who participated in and helped organize the Summit!

Overview

The CCBR together with CBRC organized the National Summit, which was held in Waterloo. Over 60 leaders of community based research from academia and community were brought together. Summit objectives included:

- Sharing examples of CBR
- Building consensus on indicators of CBR excellence
- Discussing the establishment of Hubs of Excellence across Canada, each addressing topics of societal change
- Mobilizing National Summit learnings

Keynote Speakers

Keynote speakers Chad Gaffield, University of Ottawa; Andrew Petter, Simon Fraser University; and Nancy Neamtan, Chantier de l'Economie Sociale presented on trends and trajectories in community-based research with reactions from panel speakers Leslie Brown, University of Victoria, William Holden, City of Saskatoon and Sarah Marie Wiebe, University of Victoria. The opening Gala evening was accompanied by a keynote address from Paul Manners, the Director of the National Coordinating Centre for Public Engagement-UK ([NCCPE](#)). The following day Keynote speakers Brent-Herbert-Copley, SSHRC and Honourable Steve Kent, Deputy Premier, Government of Newfoundland and Labrador presented on trends to inform hub development.



CBRC Survey Results Are In!

Building on our [2014 Strategic Plan](#), CBRC conducted fall surveys to prioritize our activities focused on our member's priorities for CBRC Communications and Services. With the support of Robyn Spilker, a CBRC graduate student intern, we conducted two surveys in French and English; one for Institutional Members and the other for other individuals and organizations. Institutional members prioritized systemic development of CBR services and engagement tools such as ethics and standards of excellence and efforts to influence policy and funding on national, provincial, local and organizational scales. Individual and organizational members placed high value on capacity building efforts and communications services. Sharing stories of CBR and CUE projects; addressing key national societal challenges; creating an on-line Directory of members; and support for practitioners and graduate students were widely supported. Access the [CBRC Survey Report](#) to find out more. Thanks to all those who participated!





C²UEXPO 2015 News

About C²UExpo

C²UExpo is a Canadian-led international conference designed to:

- showcase the best practices in community-campus partnerships worldwide;
- create a space for collaboration around key issues; and
- foster ideas, connections, and frameworks with the purpose of strengthening our communities.

Held every two years, the conference allows community members, universities, colleges, government, and nonprofit organizations to work together to create an innovative learning environment where research, knowledge, and relationships can be shared and cultivated over the 3-day conference program. Activities and sessions are diverse, ranging from workshops to art activities, deliberative dialogue to mobile tours, and everything in between.

About C²UExpo 2015

The conference will take place at [Carleton University](#), Ottawa, ON from May 26 – 29, 2015. Befitting its location, the conference will seek to explore [citizen solutions for a better world](#) by delving into the array of policy work being done to advance solutions in areas such as health, environment, food security, and employment. We look forward to welcoming you at [C²UExpo 2015!](#)

CBRC at C²UEXPO 2015

CBRC is an official sponsor of C²UEXPO 2015 and as part of that we are hosting a full day of pre-conference workshops on May 26th. The Morning Workshop, with national and global leaders, is focused on CBR and Impact. The Afternoon Workshop is our Engaged Practice Learning Exchange co-sponsored with the NCCPE from the UK. A CBRC General Meeting *open to all* will be held during the lunch break on May 26th.



C²U EXPO 2015
CITIZEN SOLUTIONS. BETTER WORLD.

Carleton University
Ottawa, ON
May 26-29, 2015

C²UEXPO 2017: Call for Proposals

Call for Proposals to Host C²UExpo 2017

The C²UExpo Nominating Committee coordinated by CBRC with partners CCBR, Community-Campus Partnerships for Health and the Canadian Alliance for Community Service Learning, has recently released the [call for proposals](#) to host [C²UExpo 2017](#).



Global Network News

UK - Canada Connections: The CBRC and NCCPE Partnership

CBRCanada works in partnership with the [National Coordinating Centre for Public Engagement \(NCCPE\)](#) - the lead network in the UK supporting higher education's contribution to public engagement. NCCPE who, like CBRC, started in 2008, works throughout the UK to support culture change in universities through strategic consultation, capacity building, partnership and project development. CBRC has been working with NCCPE on capacity building focused on the [Engaged Practice Learning Exchange](#), policy and program analysis and support for and attendance at the bi-annual C²UEXPO (Canada) and annual Engage UK Conferences. NCCPE's Director Paul Manners gave a keynote address - [A Learning Life](#) - at the National Summit in November 2014 while CBRC supported the EPLE and presented at the [Engage Conference](#) in Bristol in December 2014. Moving forward, NCCPE and CBRC are focused on how to support and connect students, communities, practitioners, funders and higher education leaders between the UK and Canada. See the joint [NCCPE-CBRC Collaboration Framework](#) focused on stimulating innovation in engaged practice and developing institutional cultures that support it. Contact CBRC to learn more.

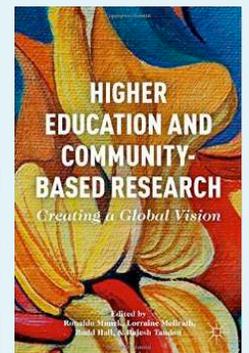


Paul Manners

UNESCO Chair in Community-based Research and Social Responsibility in Higher Education

Crystal Tremblay (UNESCO Chair in CBR Research Coordinator) has recently published and presented on [Global Trends in Support Structures for Community University Research Partnerships](#) and her work was highlighted in [University World News](#).

Ronaldo Munck (Ireland), Lorraine McIlrath (Ireland), Rajesh Tandon and Budd Hall have published [Higher Education and Community Based Research: A Global Vision](#) with Palgrave McMillan.



Crystal Tremblay

Organizational News

Member Drive

Thanks to all of you who have renewed your CBRC Membership or who have just joined us...we are inspired by the momentum! This year we are extending the invitation to Canada's community colleges with established or emerging community-engaged research programs.

Community Based Research Canada invites you to [join the growing national movement](#) for community-based research and campus-community engagement.

Annual Fee:
Individual \$100
Student \$50

Newsletter Membership free
Academic Institution \$2500
Department within an Academic Institution \$500
Community Org/Business—Less than 10 staff \$50
Community Org/Business—More than 10 staff \$100



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University of the Fraser Valley

University of Victoria

University of Windsor

Vancouver Island University

Vancouver Foundation

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Network Partners

CBRC works in partnership with these National and Global networks:

National

[Research Impact Canada](#)

[Campus-Community Partnerships for Health](#)

[Canadian Alliance for Community Service-Learning](#)

Europe

[National Coordinating Centre for Public Engagement](#)

[Campus Engage Ireland](#)

[Living Knowledge Network](#)

Global

[UNESCO Chair in CBR and Social Responsibility in Higher Education](#)

[Global Alliance on Community-Engaged Research](#)



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