## **Graduate Certificate in Community Engagement**

Developing the skills and competencies needed for exemplary university-community engagement

Beginning Fall 2009



# GRADUATE CERTIFICATE IN COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Michigan State University's Graduate
Certificate in Community Engagement
prepares students for academic careers
that integrate scholarship with community
engagement. The program is designed to
help students organize and reflect on their
community engagement experiences. It is
tailored in cooperation with the student's
graduate advisor and University Outreach and
Engagement, and includes both instruction
and a mentored experience in community
engagement.

### WHO SHOULD APPLY?

Graduate students from any program whose scholarly and career interests include any of the following types of activities:

- Translating health and science research findings for general public audiences
- Employing community-based research methods and techniques to address society's problems
- Collaborating with business or industry to develop new technology
- Involving undergraduates in communitybased learning, through service-learning or civic engagement
- Creating learning experiences and continuing education programs for working professionals

#### WHY APPLY?

- Prepare for a career as an engaged scholar
- Experience community-based research and engagement
- Gain professional development in university-community partnerships
- Share disciplinary and engagement interests with other faculty, students, and academic specialists
- · Develop an engagement portfolio
- Present your learning experiences and perspectives as an emerging engaged scholar
- Receive a Certificate of Completion from the Associate Provost for University Outreach and Engagement and a transcript notation through the Office of the Registrar

#### **HOW TO APPLY**

Information about the application process and all forms are available at the program's Web site: outreach.msu.edu/gradcert.

#### MORE INFORMATION

During the program's inaugural year, we would like to provide interested students and faculty advisors with as much information and personal attention as needed.

If you would like to discuss the certificate program and/or the application process, please contact:

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You can also reach them by phone at (517) 353-8977. They will be happy to answer your questions or schedule a time to meet with you.

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