Our Mission

The Office of Community-Based Learning and Research (CBLR) holds as its mission the advancement of mutually beneficial relationships between the university and the extra-campus community through community-based learning and research for the purposes of education and growth among all involved parties.

CBLR supports the University of Washington Bothell in its mission to be a “transformational learning community,” and to “serve as a catalyst to enhance quality of life throughout our region” while fostering a “dynamic community of multicultural learning.”

What are CBLR classes?

A credit-bearing educational experience in which students participate in an organized activity (direct service, research, creative process, advocacy, consulting) in collaboration with a community entity (non-profit, industry, business, K-12 schools, local government) for the purpose of mutual beneficial exchange of knowledge and resources in a context of partnership and reciprocity.

Adapted from Bringle and Hatcher (1996), and the Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching.
Collaborated with students and faculty in CBLR courses over the 2017-2018 year (see page 16 for full list)

CBLR course sections were offered this year:
- 117 undergraduate courses
- 25 graduate courses

169 Community Partners collaborated with students and faculty in CBLR courses over the 2017-2018 year (see page 16 for full list)

1633 unique student enrollments

2492 total student enrollments:
- 1052 students took 1 CBLR course
- 368 students took 2 CBLR courses
- 167 students took 3 CBLR courses
- 46 students took 3+ or more CBLR courses

27% of UWB Students

79 Faculty members taught CBLR courses
17% of UWB Faculty

CBLR BY THE NUMBERS
Summer 2017 - Spring 2018
The graph above represents the percentage of students enrolled in community-based learning and research courses within a specific school or program.

**HOW WE COUNT CBLR CLASSES**

The Office of Community-Based Learning and Research makes multiple attempts to count all CBLR courses. Each year, the Provost requests counts of undergraduate student participation in UW-sponsored public service, internships, and research. The Office of CBLR takes this opportunity to tally the quarterly CBLR course lists, including number of students who participated in an optional CBLR component of a course, including graduate CBLR courses. The list is then divided by School and sent to the Deans to verify the representation of their School’s CBLR courses. The final list is sent to the Institutional Research Office (IRO), where the course information is merged with student data. The IRO provides the total number of students who participated in these courses as well as a distribution of CBLR enrollments by school. This information is then used to inform the CBLR Annual Report, campus reports and community engagement materials. We want to acknowledge that there are limitations in the CBLR course count process, and it is likely that courses and partnerships may be missing from each School.
ASSESSING OUR IMPACT

The ways to measure the success of community engagement are many. As part of our ongoing research, we seek feedback from our students and community partners about the impact of their shared work.

TO LEARN MORE ABOUT THIS RESEARCH, led by Shauna Elbers Carlisle, associate professor in the School of Interdisciplinary Arts & Sciences and associate director of the Master of Arts in Policy Studies Program, go to our Community Engagement website’s “impact” page: www.uwb.edu/community-engagement/impact.

Here are the latest student and community data from 2017-18:

MAKING A DIFFERENCE FOR STUDENTS

Due to my community-based learning experience, in the future I am more likely to...

... try a solution, assess its effects, and revise my approach to solving the problem.
48% strongly agree 43% agree

... collaborate with others when solving problems.
55% strongly agree 38% agree

... apply subject-specific knowledge to resolve a problem.
51% strongly agree 40% agree

... be open to new ideas.
52% strongly agree 41% agree

MAKING A DIFFERENCE FOR COMMUNITY PARTNERS

Our community engagement partnership with UW Bothell...

... provided an exchange of knowledge to our organization.
73% yes definitely 25% somewhat

... provided an exchange of resources to our organization.
63% yes definitely 29% somewhat

... helped our organization meet our mission/goals.
71% yes definitely 29% somewhat

... allowed us to improve services.
60% yes definitely 35% somewhat

... introduced new ideas to our organization.
56% yes definitely 37% somewhat
RESTORING LIFE AT NORTH CREEK FOREST

Candice Magbag, Mahleah Grant, Kendra Potoshnik, Rebecca Bruemmer, Johnathon Rutledge

Students collaborated with Friends of North Creek Forest to transform a half-acre of North Creek Forest from a neglected eyesore to a haven teeming with life. The restoration effort provides capstone projects for teams of students from all three UW campuses. The students all agreed this was a standout moment in their academic career, for the experience, friends, and connections they made.

“For anybody who is thinking of taking this project on, you won’t regret it. When else in school will you get credit for working outside doing what you love to do and making a real long term difference in the local community?”
—Johnathon Rutledge, student partnered with Friends of North Creek Forest.

Creating a Smart & Safe Bear Fence

Guangxiao Zhang, Brian Farkas and Nazary Vasilchenko

Mechanical engineering students worked on their capstone project in partnership with Farmer Frog, a nonprofit educational farm in the Paradise Valley conservation area. The students designed and built a system to enhance a smart electric fence for the farm.

“You have to work around things, learn how to work with other people. It’s a great opportunity for us to learn before going into the workforce.”
—Nazary Vasilchenko, student partnered with Farmer Frog

WA Campus Compact

Winners of the 2018 Presidents’ Civic Leadership Award

Ayva Thomas, ’17,’19

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Sukhaman Kaur entered UW Bothell with a focus on classwork, applying to a major, and graduating. She did not expect to get as involved in public service as she did.

“I started out just taking classes,” said Kaur, “and then I later got involved, which I think was great for me. Without being involved and without the support of faculty and staff, I probably wouldn’t have been able to make it.”

Following her interest in public service and passion for working in the community, Kaur worked as an Achieving Community Transformation (ACT) Lead. ACT students help initiate and support ongoing dialogues between students and organizations to provide engaging service and civic engagement opportunities (see page 6 for more). Kaur noted, “Working with ACT allowed me to be a leader in many ways that taught me it is never too late to get involved — and that you should never limit yourself!”

In the summer before graduation, Kaur took a study abroad community-based learning and research course that delivered health services through “pop-up” clinics in seven villages in Guatemala. The experience aligned with her Health Studies major, and was a hands on experience.

The experience “not only taught me about the fundamentals of the health care system, and the global determinants of health in Guatemala,” Kaur said, “but also taught me to make do with the amount of resources you are provided.”

Additional involvement included participating as a member of the UW Bothell Community Engagement Council, and an internship with Lutheran Community Services Northwest in Snohomish County. Kaur was also awarded the Husky 100 in 2017.

After graduation Kaur began a job working for the Intake department at the Seattle Cancer Care Alliance. She is currently pursuing a Masters of Public Administration at Seattle University.

“As a student, I knew I wanted to work in health administration, but I did not know this is the exact route I would take to get to where I am today. From the professors and classes to my involvement as a student leader, I am so incredibly thankful for every opportunity I had at UWB.”
acheiving Community transformation (ACT)

ACT is a student organization supported by the office of CBLR. ACT initiates and supports an ongoing dialogue with internal and external organizations to provide opportunities for service, civic engagement, and social justice based on cultivating passion and the understanding of student and community needs. See below for the 2017-2018 ACT Programs:

ACT Student Service Leads. Pictured left to right: Xuan, Manama, Neha.

**HONORING DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. 2018**

ACT and the MLK Planning Committee worked together to plan Honoring MLK. UW Bothell and Cascadia College students, staff, and faculty were invited to engage in several events such as service projects, workshops, and a carnival featuring a spoken word artist.

“I learned so much about leadership and that even though you are doing something small, you are still helping the community”

—Student participant, Mountains to Sound Overnight Service Trip

**OTHER ACT PROGRAMS & CIVIC EVENTS**

- Kayak Clean Up with Puget SoundKeeper Alliance
- Youth Migrant Project
- Earth Week Programming: Food Waste Prevention Workshop
- Conversation Cafe with Seattle Children’s Alyssa Burnett Adult Life Center
- Mountains to Sound Overnight Service Trip
- Diversity Center Movie Night: I am Not Your Negro
- Threads and Treads Service Project

“"The discussion section was very interesting and it gave me the opportunity to learn about others’ experiences and perspectives”

—Student participant, Movie Night: “I’m Not Your Negro” with Diversity Center

ASB is a student led initiative that gives students the opportunity to take part in educational service projects during their scheduled spring break. In 2018, the ASB program encouraged active citizenship by providing service opportunities addressing social and environmental justice needs within the community.

Students at Camp Korey

Students at 21 Acres Center for Sustainable Living

President of the Black Student Union

Former student Essam Muhammad performing spoken word

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ENGAGING THE COMMUNITY

**EVERETT HOUSING AUTHORITY**

Everett Housing Authority is a leader in developing and providing safe and affordable housing for low income families. As part of the fieldwork course UW Bothell RN to BSN students helped vulnerable residents in Everett Housing Authority apartments put together a “File of Life,” listing emergency medical information such as: conditions, prescriptions, doctor's name and family contacts. The forms are then stuck on housing residents' refrigerators. This way in an emergency, paramedics will have easy access to that vital information.

“**UW Bothell has been an invaluable partnership for the outreach programs. The students have been very professional and helpful to the program staff, and the youth have really enjoyed connecting with them.**”

—Elysa Hovard, Director of Outreach, Cocoon House

**BOEING**

Boeing has worked with UW Bothell faculty and students since the inception of the campus. Employees from Boeing have participated in numerous classroom projects, capstones and other forms of curricular engagement in subjects ranging from business to engineering, and policy studies.

In 2017, UW Bothell Masters of Business students as part of their Applied Consulting course partnered with Boeing. Students took on the company’s need for a study of air cargo trends and researched air cargo operations at Sea-Tac International Airport. The students had the opportunity to present their findings to Boeing officials in May, offering the company insights on how to update methodology.

“They [UW Bothell Applied Consulting students] did probably the most precise measurement that’s been done and we’ve been doing it for a number of years.” —Boeing Representative
ENGAGING FACULTY

CBLR 2017-2018 FELLOWSHIP
The Initiative for CBLR Faculty and Staff Fellowship program is designed to promote and support faculty and staff development of community-based scholarship, and creates pathways for students to deepen their community engagement within academic structures.

The purpose of this program is to enhance the capacity of UW Bothell faculty and staff to offer courses, facilitate programs, and conduct research in ways that are valued by the community and the academy. Fellows join a supportive faculty and staff learning community as they create or extend community-based work in courses or professional practice, conduct innovative research, and participate in strategic planning in support of community-based learning and research at UW Bothell.

Meet the eight faculty awarded the Fellowship in 2017-2018:

Raissa DeSmet, PhD
Lecturer, School of Interdisciplinary Arts & Sciences
Decolonizing Collections - A Partnership with the Burke Museum of Natural History and Culture

Raissa DeSmet’s class received hands-on experience working with managers to catalog, pack and transport 50,000 objects in preparation for the opening of the new Burke museum in 2019. As part of an ongoing project called Decolonizing Collections, students researched and made presentations about select artifacts to museum visitors. Student research will also be used to inform how the museum displays cultural artifacts in its new building.

Hoa B. Appel, PhD, MPH
Lecturer, School of Nursing and Health Studies
Behavioral & Mental Health among Korean Americans

Hoa Appel worked with the Korean Women’s Association to identify community members with behavioral or substance abuse issues, and then facilitated treatment plans for them.

Anna Winquist, MN, RN
Lecturer, School of Nursing and Health Studies
A Problem-Solving Community Partnership: RN-BSN Students and Providence

Anna Winquist, lecturer for the School of Nursing and Health Studies, class partnered with nurses at Providence Regional Medical Center in Everett. Students reviewed health literature in the community, and recommended possible improvements based on outstanding needs.

“The learning objectives of the class are tied to the partners’ own goals. Resources are limited for the county, and we are able to step in and help them conduct research they normally wouldn’t have enough time to do.”
—Raissa DeSmet, Lecturer, School of Interdisciplinary Arts & Sciences
Graduate students in Rajib Doogar’s Forensic Accounting class assisted the King County Economic Crimes Unit unravel allegations of fraud committed by trusted agents of youth organizations, and by individuals exploiting the infirmities of certain elderly individuals. The main objective of the project was to broaden the scope of the course to include undergraduate students, and to reach out to a broader population of communities that have fewer resources to devote to the prosecution of such predations.

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Arkady Retik’s class helped teach K-12 students computer programming. They worked with community groups such as the University Family YMCA to inspire and teach kids who may not otherwise have had access to this information or considered programming a career path.

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Avery Cook Shinneman worked with the Snohomish County Surface Water program to collect data on the health of small lakes in the county, research management solutions to restore or maintain the lakes, and communicate with stakeholders in the watershed. Students visited field sites with county scientists to observe and assist with their work, and developed means of communicating best management practices to local homeowners and other local stakeholders.

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Jed Murr’s multiyear, multiform collaborative project supported Black artists and cultural workers in the Pacific Northwest, in part by providing research about Black political and aesthetic movements.

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Pierre Mourad, professor of the School of Science, Technology, Engineering & Mathematics, worked with Farmer Frog (a local farming community) to support mechanical engineering students on their capstone project. The students designed and built a system to enhance a smart electric fence for the farm.

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“A this course teaches students how things really work financially inside an organization and how to tell when something is off.”
—Rajib Doogar, Associate Professor, School of Business
## First year & Pre-Major
- 21 Acres
- Bloodworks Northwest
- Bothell Community Kitchen
- Cocoon House
- Coding with Kids
- Compass Housing Alliance
- Eastside Audubon
- Forterra
- Friends of North Creek Forest
- Full Life Care
- Green Kirkland Partnership
- Macha Theatre Works
- Mary’s Place
- NAMI Eastside
- New Beginnings
- Pacific Science Center
- Puget Soundkeeper Alliance
- Sustainable Agriculture Education Collaborative
- UWB Grounds and Wetlands
- Catholic Community Services
- Volunteer Services Snohomish Co.
- Voyager Middle School
- Woodland Park Zoo
- YMCA of Snohomish County
- Young Women Empowered

## Education
- 21 Acres
- Arrowhead Elementary School
- Asian Counseling and Referral Service
- AVID, Henry Jackson High School
- Cedar Valley Community School
- Center for Human Services
- Cocoon House
- Coding with Kids
- Compass Housing Alliance
- Crystal Springs Elementary School
- Dale Turner Family YMCA
- East African Community Services
- Echo Lake Elementary School
- El Centro de la Raza
- Everett High School
- Friends of Youth
- Hidden River Middle School
- Hollywood Hill Elementary School
- Kenmore Elementary School
- Kenmore Middle School
- Kockanee Elementary
- Lake Stickney Elementary School
- Lake Washington School District
- Leota Junior High
- Lockwood Elementary School
- Lynnwood Elementary School
- Meadowbrook Community Care
- Mukilteo School District
- North Creek High School
- Northshore Middle School
- Northshore Networks
- Pacific Science Center
- Seattle Children’s Alyssa Burnett Adult Life Center
- Shelton View Elementary School
- Skyview Middle School
- University of Washington Bothell
- Sustainability
- Voyager Middle School
- Woodinville High School
- Woodmoor Elementary School
- Young Women Empowered
- Youth Tutoring Program

## Interdisciplinary Arts & Sciences
- 21 Acres
- Seattle Children’s Alyssa Burnett Adult Life Center
- Asian Counseling and Referral Service
- AVID, Henry Jackson High School
- Bloodworks Northwest
- Bothell Community Kitchen
- Bothell Municipal Court/Bothell Youth Court
- Bothell Community Kitchen
- Bothell-Kenmore-Kirkland Reporter
- Burke Museum of Natural History and Culture
- Center for Human Services
- City of Redmond
- Cocoon House
- Community Alliance for Global Justice
- Compass Housing Alliance
- Dale Turner Family YMCA
- Dwamish River Cleanup Coalition
- EarthCorps
- East African Community Services
- Eastside Audubon
- El Centro de la Raza
- Farmer Frog
- Forterra
- Foundation for Sex-Positive Culture
- Friends of North Creek Forest
- Full Life Care
- Gender Diversity
- Grandmothers Against Gun Violence
- Green Kirkland Partnership
- Green Seattle Partnership
- International Examiner
- Jewish Family Services
- La Raza del Noroeste
- Latino Educational Training Institute
- Lifelong
- Lutheran Community Services Northwest
- Magnuson Park Forest Steward
- Martha Lake Advisory Board
- Mary’s Place
- New Beginnings
- Northwest Parkinson’s Foundation
- NW Network of Bi, Trans, Lesbian and Gay Survivors of Abuse
- Pacific Science Center
- Project Girl
- Puget Soundkeeper Alliance
- Real Change
COMMUNITY PARTNERS CONTINUED

Redmond Reporter
Reel Grrls
Rent Bason Bees
Seattle Children’s Alyssa Burnett Adult Life Center
Shononish County Indivisible
Shononish County Marine Resource Committee
Solid Ground
Songaia Cohousing Community
Sound Salmon Solutions
Sustainable Agriculture Education Collaborative
Touchstone Eco Services
United Way of King County Tax Campaign
University Beyond Bars
University of Washington Bothell Sustainability Pride Alliance
Grounds and Wetlands
Catholic Community Services
Volunteer Services Snohomish Co.
Voyager Middle School
Washington Community Action Network
Woodland Park Zoo
YMCA
Dale Turner Family
Snohomish County Youth Tutoring Program

City of Bothell
City of Lynnwood
Parks, Recreation and Cultural Arts Department
Healthy Communities
Coconut House
Community Health Worker Coalition for Migrants and Refugees
Compass Housing Alliance
Cope Health Scholars/Swedish Medical Centers
Domestic Violence Services of Snohomish County
Downtown Emergency Services Center (DESC)
Everett Gospel Mission
Everett Housing Authority
Broadway Housing Community
Bakerview Housing Community
Full Life Care
Healthcare Management Administrators
HealthPoint
Inside Health Institute
Korean Women’s Association
Latino Educational Training Institute
Lutheran Community Services Northwest
Mary’s Place
Mercy Housing - Family Tree Apartments Northwest
NAMI Eastside
Neighborhood House
Northshore School District
Northwest Parkinson’s Foundation
Planned Parenthood VOTES Northwest and Hawaii
Providence Regional Medical Center
Providence Intervention Center for Assault and Abuse
Care Transitions Program
Public Health - Seattle & King County
Puget Sound Kidney Center
Refugee Womens Alliance (ReWA)
Seattle Children’s Alyssa Burnett Adult Life Center

We give thanks to our community partners (local government, non-profits, for-profits, schools, and internal UW Bothell departments) that worked with CBLR courses over the 2017-2018 academic year!