

Roundtable Discussion at the *Narratives of Citizenship* Conference

Title: “Community Education and the Translation of University Knowledge”

Date: Sunday, March 25, 2007; 3:30-6:00pm

Location: University of Alberta’s Engineering Teaching and Learning Complex

Room #: E1-003

You will have approximately **5 minutes** to deliver a short talk that addresses any or all of the following questions and issues. You are welcome to respond to these questions directly, or to come up with alternative / additional questions that you feel are more appropriate to your organization and the needs of your constituents.

1. Provide a brief description of your organization and its services.
2. Have you or your organization ever had experience with a University-led outreach initiative? For example, have you worked with the Humanities 101 Program, FGSR Outreach, or the CSL (Community Service-Learning) Program? Has your organization been involved with the University in any other capacity?

IF ‘Yes’ to Question 2, go to 2A.

IF ‘No’ to Question 2, go to 3.

- 2A. Was your partnership with this University-led initiative valuable? How so? In your experience, what were the successes of this partnership, and what would you improve? Did the program meet the needs of your constituents? How could it have met these needs in a better way?
3. Describe the specific needs, requirements, and /or interests of your constituents that might be met or nurtured by the University and its resources. These needs / resources might include: volunteer English language training; classes on (fill-in-the-blank) subject matter; physical education; health education; cultural awareness seminars; writing classes (i.e. creative writing, business letter writing, journalism, etc.).
4. How do you perceive the relationship between the University and other Edmonton communities, such as that represented by your organization?
 - a. How are the University’s resources relevant (or not) to the work your organization does?
 - b. Are you aware of what resources the University has?
 - c. Have you (or your constituents) ever tried to access University resources and experienced barriers to accessing these resources? What are the barriers that exist between your organization or your constituents and the University community?
5. Imagine how the University might assist your organization. What would be your ‘dream’ collaboration with the University?