

Utah Valley University

Social Impact Visiting Faculty Fellow

Call for Proposals

Utah Valley University's Office of Engaged Learning and Center for Social Impact is pleased to announce a call for proposals for the new *Social Impact Visiting Faculty Fellow* program (for a semester or full academic year). The purpose of the *Social Impact Visiting Faculty Fellow* program is to support academic social impact projects, which should benefit UVU students, our campus community, and our surrounding community. The visiting faculty chosen to be a *Social Impact Visiting Faculty Fellow* will receive office space, admin support, and a project budget¹ from the Center for Social Impact to assist them in implementing a high-impact community-based social impact project (ideally involving students in multiple service-learning courses, and over multiple semesters if the duration of the fellowship is a full academic year). The *Social Impact Visiting Faculty Fellow* will also be expected to work closely with the UVU Center for Social Impact Service Council in developing events for UVU students and the surrounding community related to their proposed social impact project.

The selection process for the *Social Impact Visiting Faculty Fellow* is competitive. Upon receiving the distinction, a visiting faculty fellow will be awarded up to a \$10,000 project budget (dependent on proposed length of stay, project scope, and submitted budget proposal) to be utilized during the duration of their stay on campus. Representatives from UVU's engaged learning community will serve on a peer-reviewed selection board and will select all visiting faculty fellow(s).

The *Social Impact Visiting Faculty Fellow* will be required to submit an end-of-project impact report and showcase the project at the annual Center for Social Impact luncheon or to the peer-review committee (depending on the timing and duration of stay), as well as present in the *Social Impact Masterclass Series*². The project budget funding will be paid out by the Center of Social Impact and Office of Engaged Learning on an ongoing basis as the visiting faculty submits receipts and/or requests. All project expenses and approved purchases will be in accordance with [University policy](#).

How to Apply

Expressions of interest and applications for the *Social Impact Visiting Faculty Fellow* program must be accompanied by the following:

- A current curriculum vitae.
- A social impact project statement (no more than four total pages) that identifies/includes:
(1) the community need, (2) the impact of the project, (3) the number of students involved,
(4) the rationale for choosing the specific community partner(s) (non-profit, for-profit,

¹ Visiting Faculty Fellows **WILL NOT** receive a housing allowance, stipend for other living expenses, and the Fellowship does not provide the salary normally associated with other academic positions.

² The *UVU Social Impact Masterclass Series* provides a venue for inspirational and successful teachers to share effective approaches and best practices of integrating meaningful social impact work into academic courses and programs.

public, or private), (5) a letter of support from the community partner organization(s) (one page), and (6) a line-item project budget proposal (one page).

- A brief (500 words) proposal outlining how all visiting fellow activities will be conducted in line with the [Center for Social Impact](#) “Pathways of Social Impact” and “Active Citizen Continuum” and the UVU [SIMLab](#).
- A working title and brief summary (500 words) of a social impact/community engagement topic to be presented at an open public *Social Impact Masterclass Series* seminar and in private meetings with University students and administrators.
- Evidence of past service-learning and social impact training (e.g. related faculty development offerings completed, academic service-learning coursework, syllabi of prior service-learning courses taught, etc.).
- One letter of support signed by both the faculty member’s home university academic department chair and dean.
- Dates of the proposed visit, indicating total duration of stay.

Please note Fellowships are to be undertaken within the same academic year. For more information on visiting Utah Valley University, read the [Academic policy](#), which in part states:

4.4.3 Visiting Faculty/Scholar 4.4.3.1 On occasion, the University may have the opportunity to hire a highly reputed, scholar/teacher on a non-tenure track, temporary appointment as a visiting professor or visiting scholar. Appointment of a visiting professor/scholar may be made upon recommendation of a dean, in collaboration with the appropriate department faculty, and requires approval of the Director of Human Resources/Equity Officer, the appropriate department chair, the Vice President of Academic Affairs, and the President. Length of appointment is negotiable.

Submission Instructions

Individuals desiring to pursue this opportunity must electronically submit a digital portfolio containing all of items to jonathan.westover@uvu.edu and summer.valente@uvu.edu.

In the email subject line, please indicate *Your Name + Social Impact Visiting Faculty Fellow*.

Upload required documents as email attachments.

Submission portfolios will be accepted and evaluated on an ongoing basis. Faculty with promising submissions will then be contacted for a video interview to further discuss the proposed project and time at UVU.