

# COMMUNITY SERVICES

## Bureau of Business and Economic Research

The Bureau of Business and Economic Research has been providing information about Montana's state and local economies for over 60 years and is proud to be the most comprehensive economic analysis center in the state.

Housed on the campus of The University of Montana-Missoula, the Bureau is the research and public service branch of the School of Business Administration. On an ongoing basis, the Bureau:

- analyzes local, state, and national economies
- provides annual income, employment and population forecasts
- conducts extensive research on forest products, manufacturing, health care and Montana Kids Count
- designs and conducts comprehensive survey research at its on-site call center
- presents annual economic outlook seminars in cities throughout Montana
- publishes the award-winning Montana Business Quarterly

## Montana Cooperative Wildlife Research Unit

The Montana Cooperative Wildlife Research Unit performs research designed to address the needs of cooperators, bridging the gap between applied and basic wildlife science. Our studies provide new insights useful to management and conservation, based on understanding the ecological mechanisms that underlie habitat requirements and demography of individual and coexisting wildlife species. Research emphases within the Unit include:

- ecology and management of carnivores,
- applied landscape ecology,
- management of large game,
- interactions between forest management and wildlife,
- environmental influences (predators, habitat, ungulates) on demography and diversity of birds,
- habitat requirements and community ecology of birds, and
- comparative demography and life history strategies of birds in differing environmental and geographical contexts.

Other research topics are addressed as needed, in keeping with the Cooperative Research Program's mission to best meet the needs of the cooperators by remaining flexible and open to new areas of inquiry. When Cooperator's needs occur outside Unit expertise, the assistance of appropriate University faculty will be recruited.

Unit staff will advance the training and education of graduate students at the University of Montana by teaching up to one graduate-level course per year in wildlife science, chairing graduate committees of Unit students, and serving on graduate committees of non-Unit students. Technical support and training will be provided to Cooperators and other agencies as the need exists.

## Objectives of Co-Op Units

- Conduct research into the ecology of renewable natural resources, and to investigate the production, utilization, management, protection, and restoration of such resources. This research will be relevant to the needs of the State, the geographical region, and the Nation.

- Provide technical and professional education on the graduate and professional levels, in the fields of renewable natural resource sciences.
- Make available to resource managers, land owners, other researchers, and other interested public, such facts, methods, literature, and new findings discovered through research.
- To disseminate research findings through the publication of reports, bulletins, circulars, films, and journal and magazine articles.

## Montana Campus Compact

The University of Montana is a member in good standing of The Montana Campus Compact. MTCC is a statewide coalition of college presidents and chancellors committed to renewing the public purposes of higher education by promoting campus-community collaborations and civic engagement activities. Since 1993, these campus leaders have represented two- and four-year, public, private, religiously affiliated, community, and tribal colleges across Montana. MTCC supports and encourages activities such as volunteering, community service, and service-learning through its programs, which include:

- MTCC Campus Corps
- Service-Learning Workshops and Faculty Development
- MTCC VISTA Project
- Compact Service Corps
- Montana Athletes in Service Award
- Careers in the Common Good Scholarship

For more information regarding MTCC member benefits and services, please contact the MTCC headquarters office at (406) 243-5177 or online at the Montana Campus Compact website (<http://mtcompact.org/>). For MTCC services at UM, please contact the Office for Civic Engagement at (406) 243-5531 or see their listing under The Office For Civic Engagement (<https://catalog.umt.edu/expenses-services-organizations/services/communityservices/#oce>).

## The Office for Civic Engagement

The Office for Civic Engagement (OCE) is honored to serve as The University of Montana's primary agent of community activism and civic responsibility. It is our mission to cultivate civic competency through curricular and community-based experiences. We accomplish this by collaborating to build networks of reciprocity and partnership between campus and community, engaging people in service to connect people to place to provide for engaged participation in a democratic society, and enriching student learning and scholarly pursuits. The OCE is a unit of the Davidson Honors College and operates as an affiliate of the statewide Montana Campus Compact (MTCC) organization (<https://catalog.umt.edu/expenses-services-organizations/services/communityservices/#MCC>)(see separate listing). The OCE is located in the Davidson Honors College, room 015, and can be reached at (406) 243-5531 or the Office for Civic Engagement website (<http://www.dhc.umt.edu/oce/>).

## OCE Programs

- Student Volunteer Programs - Throughout the school year, OCE coordinates several community service programs for students to get actively involved in the community including Service Saturdays, Alternative Breaks, Adopt-A-Family and more. The OCE hosts the Volunteer Fair each semester to connect students with local nonprofit organizations and volunteer opportunities.
- Pathways of Service Leadership Program - This new program is designed to develop students as leaders through an inclusive

process that revolves around service as the vehicle for leadership development and social change in preparation for social impact careers after graduation.

- AmeriCorps\* VISTA - The OCE provides students and recent graduates with the opportunity to engage in national service.
- Nonprofit Administration Programs - The OCE facilitates the minor in nonprofit administration and the Nonprofit Leadership Alliance national certificate program in nonprofit administration. Both are degree enhancement programs designed to assist students to achieve skills and abilities in preparation for careers in the nonprofit sector. The OCE also coordinates the Online Professional Certificate Program in Nonprofit Administration, a series of short courses designed for busy professionals who want to hone their skills in specific areas such as grant writing, financial management and fund raising, and serves as the primary advising office for MPA students in the nonprofit administration track.
- Service Learning - Service learning is an innovative method of teaching and learning in which students, faculty, and community partners work together to enhance student learning by applying academic knowledge in a community-based setting. The OCE works with faculty and departments to create meaningful service learning partnerships with community organizations and attain service learning designation status for their courses. Students can search for these courses using the service learning attribute in CyberBear.

## Nonprofit Leadership Alliance

The University of Montana is an affiliate of the national Nonprofit Leadership Alliance (NLA). The NLA program at UM is designed to be a degree enhancement certification program that complements a student's major. The program provides students with academic and extra-curricular opportunities to gain skills and abilities in preparation for professional careers in the nonprofit sector. All Nonprofit Leadership Alliance students acquire knowledge and skills in general nonprofit management, fundraising principles and practices, board committee development, program planning, and grant writing. Upon completion of the NLA requirements, students receive the national Certified Nonprofit Professional (CNP) credential. The Office for Civic Engagement operates the Nonprofit Leadership Alliance program in addition to the minor in non-profit administration. For more information contact (406) 243-5159 or browse the Nonprofit Leadership Alliance website (<http://www.dhc.umt.edu/oce/nonprofit-studies/nonprofit-leadership-alliance.php>).

## The Clinical Psychology Center

The Clinical Psychology Center (CPC) is operated by the Department of Psychology at the University of Montana. The CPC provides confidential assessment, consultation, intervention, and psychotherapy services. We are able to support children, adolescents, adults, couples, families, and groups.

The CPC is a training clinic, staffed by doctoral students in Clinical Psychology and School Psychology. Although we are located on the University of Montana campus, the CPC serves the entire Missoula community. Our services are provided by student clinicians under direct supervision of licensed clinicians from the Department of Psychology faculty.

You may contact the clinic at (406) 243-2367 or by email at [CPCFrontDesk@mso.umt.edu](mailto:CPCFrontDesk@mso.umt.edu). For more information, visit the Clinical Psychology Center website (<http://hs.umt.edu/psychology/>).

## UM Physical Therapy Clinic

The Nora Staael Evert Physical Therapy Clinic at the University of Montana provides services that include physical therapy and wellness to University of Montana students, faculty, and staff and active individuals of all ages in the community. In addition to physical therapy services, the UMPT Clinic also provides physical therapy and fitness programs for people with physical limitations, disabilities, and chronic illnesses. Programs and services include neurology and chronic disease PT services, sports and orthopedic PT services, and the New Directions Wellness Center.

For more information, you may contact the clinic at (406) 243-4006 or visit the offices in the Skaggs Building, room 129.