In preparation for the 2015 seed funds call for proposals, the Council on Community-Based Partnerships will conduct two workshops to provide information and encourage strategic connections with community partners. **The deadline for receiving proposals is March 13.**

**Workshop 1 — Preparing the Proposal**

**When:** November 21, 12:30 – 1:30 p.m.

**Where:** 112 Martha Parham West

- Overview of the seed funding guidelines
- Clarifying what constitutes a community partnership

RSVP to Dr. Laurie Bonnici, lbonnici@slis.ua.edu, chair of the Proposal and Seed Funding Support Committee, by November 17. Box lunches will be provided. Please indicate any dietary restrictions.

**Workshop 2 — Finding a Community Partner – Community Partners & Budgets,**

**Wednesday, January 21, 12:30 – 1:30 p.m., 112 Martha Parham West**

- Planning and conducting the research
- Preparing a budget

Proposals should ultimately lead to larger funding. Engaged scholarship combines the familiar traditions of teaching, research and service in equitable partnerships with communities external to the campus. These partnerships have a goal of creating sustained, positive change in both the community and the academy. Engaged scholarship is reciprocal and is conducted in an atmosphere of mutual respect for, and understanding of, both partners’ strengths, weaknesses and needs. The ideal engaged scholarship initiative involves faculty and students in partnership with a community entity or entities. Winners will be announced at the Annual Awards Program on April 17.

Seed fund grant proposals will be accepted January 5 – March 13, 2015.