MECC: Michigan Engaging with Community Through the Classroom

What is MECC?
The MECC initiative integrates multidisciplinary and civically oriented engaged learning simultaneously. It taps into existing courses and brings them together to work on related client-based projects rather than creating new courses.

Benefits to the Community
MECC contributes to our community, through meaningful and authentic partnerships. Working together, students, faculty and community partners support a wide range of multidisciplinary projects. Together, we foster a culture of learning and improvement for a thriving and equitable community.

Past Project Example
Grand Traverse Region Workforce Housing
Comparative case study of other regional efforts to provide workforce housing
Tool to inform commuters about commuting costs in making housing choices
Analysis of issue-based focus group interviews and public meeting transcripts on public perception of affordable housing
Environmental impact analysis of potential workforce housing projects

Urban and Regional Planning, Engineering, Public Policy, Social Work, Law, Business, Information

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Benefits to Students
Multiple disciplinary learning is intended to yield both better learning and better ‘citizenship’ as students gain an appreciation of the reach and limits of their own disciplinary perspectives along with an improved understanding of what other disciplinary perspectives can offer toward resolving wicked problems.

In Partnership With:

MICHIGAN ENGINEERING
UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

M ROSS SCHOOL OF BUSINESS
UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

M FORD SCHOOL

M TAUBMAN COLLEGE
Architecture + urban planning
University of Michigan

M DEARBORN

M PUBLIC HEALTH

M UMSI

M SOCIAL WORK

M STAMPS

LSA COLLEGE OF LITERATURE, SCIENCE, AND THE ARTS
UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

STUDENT LIFE
EDWARD GINSBERG CENTER
UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

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