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## >> CIL Spotlight

### **The Center Introduces Assistant Program Manager Sara Nobbs**

In August 2014, the Center for Integrative Leadership welcomed its newest staff member, Sara Nobbs, to the team. A summa cum laude graduate of St. Olaf College, Sara's work experience includes working as an English teaching assistant in Ramallah, West Bank and serving with AmeriCorps VISTA, first at the International Institute of Minnesota, where she helped refugees and other recent immigrants access education and careers in healthcare, and subsequently as the VISTA leader for the Saint Paul Public Schools Foundation. Sara comes to the Center with interests in developing leaders and in promoting cross-sector collaboration, particularly in the field of education. She will be supporting the Center in a number of areas, including communications, operations and research. Welcome, Sara!



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## >> CIL Leader Profile

## Welcome to the 2014-2015 Executive Leadership Fellow, Patrick Coleman



The “Indiana Jones of Minnesota manuscripts,” Patrick Coleman, has joined the Center as an Executive Leadership Fellow. A 2011 article in [Capitol Report](#) bestowed this moniker on Patrick for his determined efforts to bring books, manuscripts and other artifacts to the Minnesota Historical Society in his role as Senior Curator and Acquisitions Librarian. Coleman was recently awarded the Transformational Leader Award by the Minnesota Council of Nonprofits for his notable record of working across boundaries to create transformational solutions.

In his 35 years at the Minnesota Historical Society, Patrick has worked tirelessly across many sectors to build the MHS’s collection of rare and historical documents with a focus on novels and poetry by Minnesotan authors. He hunts far and wide for materials to help document our rich Minnesota history; bringing them to the Historical Society where they can be properly cared for, preserved and made available to the public. This Saint Paul native is already very familiar with the University; he graduated from the University of Minnesota in 1975 after creating his own major in Minnesota history and geography. Since graduating, Coleman has returned to the U to work at [Minitex](#) and to serve on the Board of the [Friends of the U of M Library](#). Patrick has already begun to contribute his ideas and experience to the Center, and we are excited to work with him.

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### >> CIL & Students

#### Graduate Student Learning Opportunities

The Center for Integrative Leadership offers graduate students interdisciplinary opportunities to explore integrative and personal leadership through curricular and co-curricular experiences. The following opportunities are available during the 2014-15 Academic Year.

#### CIL Curricular Engagement Opportunities

- Graduate-level [minor](#) in integrative leadership (open to grad students in all disciplines).
- Graduate-level integrative leadership [seminar](#) (this multi-disciplinary course is listed through CEHD, CSOM, HHH, LAW and PUBH; open to grad students in all disciplines).

#### Community and Interdisciplinary Engagement Opportunities (non-credit):

- Cedar Humphrey Action for Neighborhood Collaborative Engagement

([CHANCE](#)) is a student-led, place-based, collaborative initiative that aims to create new and effective partnerships between the University of Minnesota and the Cedar-Riverside community and strengthen local networks committed to engagement in our neighborhood. 2014-15 Kick-off meeting, Sept. 17, 12-1pm.

- [Common Grounds](#) (CG) is a student-led group that brings together students from the University of Minnesota's Law School, Humphrey School of Public Affairs, Carlson School of Management, School of Public Health, Medical School and others. CG engages community issues with an interdisciplinary approach by providing professional research and consultation to businesses and organizations. 2014-15 launch meeting is Friday, Sept. 26, 12-1pm.

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**>> CIL in the World**

### **Young African Leaders Initiative**

During the summer of 2014, the University of Minnesota' participated in the inaugural iteration of the Mandela Washington Fellowship for Young African Leaders, the prestigious flagship program of the President's Young African Leaders Initiative (YALI). The Center for Integrative Leadership worked with the Humphrey School on course development and hosting the cohort of 25 outstanding Fellows, representing 18 countries in sub-Saharan Africa who came to Minnesota. The intensive 6-week public management course featured an experiential learning approach and a focus on working across sectors and other boundaries to address transnational Grand Challenges. The Fellows, the majority of whom are public servants in their home countries, gained leadership skills and made personal connections across sectors. The program culminated with a Presidential Summit in Washington, DC.

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### **Creating Public Value Symposium**

Attention to creating public value can help remedy the current disillusionment with U.S. government institutions, argue the Center's Steering Committee members John Bryson, Barbara Crosby and Laura Bloomberg in the July/August issue of the Public Administration Review. They highlight the importance of government's role in protecting democratic values, but add that "citizens as well as businesses

and nonprofit organizations also are important as active public problem solvers.”

Bryson, Crosby and Bloomberg are editors of the journal’s symposium on “Exploring the Value of Public Value,” which includes contributions from University of Minnesota faculty Tom Fisher (Design), John Budd (Carlson School of Management) and Larry Jacobs (Humphrey School of Public Affairs). The symposium comes out of the Center’s 2012 conference “Creating Public Value in a Multi-Sector, Shared-Power World.” Access the symposium [here](#).

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### Student Initiatives

**September 17, 2014:** CHANCE Kick-off meeting, Humphrey School, Freeman Commons, noon-1pm.

**September 26, 2014:** Common Grounds Launch, location TBD, noon-1pm.

### Training

**September 20:** ProAction Café One-day Workshop. Information and registration information is [here](#).

**October 21-23 in Mankato, MN:** The Art of Participatory Leadership. Information and registration is available [here](#). There is an early bird registration discount.

### Events

**October 16, 2-4pm:** Graduate School Interdisciplinary Research Showcase. Coffman Memorial Union, third floor.

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