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# **Public Research Fellows**

## **Humanities Student Focus Group Lunch**

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## **Core Humanities: Integration through Curriculum, Campus, and Community**

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### **Objective:**

- plan for the long-term advancement of the humanities at UP through curriculum and program development that helps break down boundaries between the classroom, disciplines, and the world outside the university gates

### **Activities:**

- work with the Core director to design and host a pilot institute in *May 2023* for faculty to incorporate engaged humanities approaches into new Core courses
- Begin foundational planning of an Engaged Humanities Hub by:
  - researching other institutions' programs
  - forming connections with other interdisciplinary units on campus
  - fostering relationships with potential community partners interested in working on long-term engaged humanities projects with UP faculty and students

# What are we doing here?

You are here to converse and share your experiences as a humanities student. But *why?*

- Our work this year has been geared toward building a humanities hub at UP
  - Foster community between disciplines
  - Provide more resources for students
  - Help facilitate the integration of humanities approaches in classrooms
  - Connect with the Portland Community
  - As STEM fields get more attention and funding every year, we want to reinforce the presence of the humanities on campus
- In order to establish a hub that can best serve the UP community it is **essential** that we have the student perspective

# Introductions

Name, major/minor, and what's one word you would use to describe your experience as a humanities major/minor at UP?

# Question One

How did you choose your major/minor? What contributed to your choice?

# Question Two

Have you felt supported in your choice of major or minor?  
How?

# Question Three

Do you feel a sense of community and connectivity with other humanities students on the rest of campus?

# Question Four

How do you feel the rest of campus perceives humanities students?



# Question Five

What kinds of support do you see students in non-humanities fields getting that you would like to have?

# Question Six

What sorts of professional development or internship opportunities have you taken advantage of here at UP? What resources in this area would be helpful?

- Alumni network idea
- Humanities major into a career course
- Humanities internship program

# Question Seven

Many fields have a direct path toward a career (Nursing, Engineering, etc.) but the humanities tend to be more open-ended and don't have this as much. How do you see your major relating to your future career/school/personal development?

# Question Eight

How do you conceive of humanities research? Have you done humanities research on campus? What did that look like?

# Question Nine

What do you think of as defining aspects of the humanities?

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