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Summary: The conversation will take place on Wednesday, November 18.

MORRIS, Minnesota (November 13, 2015)—The University of Minnesota, Morris Office of Community Engagement (OCE) will host its third Soup and Substance of the semester on Wednesday, November 18, at 11:45 a.m. in Welcome Center 122. This month’s discussion, “Leading into the Future: Building a Sustainable Rural Community,” will address how individuals can sustain their community’s vibrancy.

The Environmental Studies Discipline will partner with OCE to facilitate a conversation about some of the current challenges rural communities face today and what resources, preparation, and training leaders need to keep communities like Morris vibrant and sustainable for the future.

Each participant will receive a free meal, which includes soup, bread rolls, and beverages. Soup and Substance is sponsored by OCE.

Soup and Substance, so named for its pairing of a delicious free meal with meaningful dialogue, is open to all members of the community to share their experiences and perspectives. The event is intended to provide a space in which all voices can be heard, including those that are sometimes marginalized. The discussions are facilitated by a group of community and campus experts who have direct experience with the discussion topic.

For more information and accommodations, please contact Argie Manolis, coordinator of OCE, at 320-589-6457 or engamnt@morris.umn.edu.

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