

CERCA Reflective Statement

Please address at least 3 out of the following 5 elements briefly in a statement that is approximately 1 page:

- CERCA requires **reciprocal partnerships**. Using the spectrum of community engagement model, reflect on the level of your project's engagement with community partners and how your work can be mutually beneficial. We recognize many different points on the spectrum can provide mutual benefit; we will not judge where your partnership is at this time but rather want you to be intentional about it.
- CERCA partnerships recognize the **unique contributions** and perspectives of students, faculty, staff, alumni, and community members, validating multiple ways of knowing and disseminating knowledge. Concretely, how does your project recognize these perspectives?
- CERCA can center **caring interdependence**. What steps are you taking to center respect, care, and sensitivity towards our shared history, cultural diversity, power dynamics, and mutual reliance on one another for collective success?
- CERCA should strive for **equity-oriented collaboration**. What steps are you taking to develop fair, equitable, and inclusive collaborations that distribute benefits and burdens equitably among all participants?
- CERCA efforts can seek to **address critical social issues** and contribute to the common good of society and therefore center the advancement of social justice and the public good. How does your project take on critical social issues and contribute to the common good?