students in other programs and fields of community, as well as to engage with knowledge and training in service to the real-world opportunities to apply their addition, the program offers students—and evaluation—is available. In analysis, planning, design, implementation, and inventorying trees in the community to supporting creation of neighborhood associations, facilitating development of midpriced housing, and evaluating postdevelopment reactions to contentious development projects. RCP has matched about half of the projects with graduate courses from a range of departments being taught this fall at the University. Other projects will be documented in a final report and presentation to City staff.

If the fall-semester pilot proves successful, RCP expects to issue a request for proposals later this year to solicit proposals from cities interested in partnering with the University during the 2013–2014 academic year. Applicants would need to identify sustainability-related projects and staff who can serve as lead contact, and demonstrate support from senior staff and elected officials for participation in the program.

RCP is modeled on the Sustainable City Year Program (sci.uoregon.edu /content/scy), a highly successful cross-disciplinary program at the University of Oregon that supports one-year partnerships between a selected city and the University. For more information about RCP, visit www.rcp.umn.edu or find us on Twitter at @RCPumn.