

CALL FOR PROPOSALS

NW Regional Equity Conference for Higher Education Sharing Strategies for Equity and Anti-Racist Practices February 24-26, 2021

2020 has been challenging!

Join us as we reflect on the events from the past year, evaluate the status quo, and invent a "new normal."

This conference will be offered as a fully virtual experience for your health and wellbeing.

We invite you to present at the 2021 annual NW Regional Equity Conference!

We are committed to improving equitable, sustainable experiences and outcomes for historically underrepresented students and employees of the higher education system through effective instruction and anti-racist supports. While this conference centers higher education, we understand that COVID-19 has highlighted systemic inequities in nearly every sector. It is with this in mind that we have decided to broaden the scope of topics this year.

Please share your equity and anti-racist strategies with us.

The NW Regional Equity Conference will be accepting proposals from now until October 30, 2020. We are seeking professionals in education, private, government, and non-profit sectors and other individuals who would like to share their social justice knowledge to help remove institutional barriers for historically underrepresented populations.

Please submit proposals that align with the following tracks:

Anti-racist practices for creating equitable systems pertaining to historically underrepresented populations (including but not limited to: people of color, people with disabilities, people who identify as LGBTQIA2S+, socioeconomic status, etc.):

• Academic and Instruction

Curricula, program offerings, grading/evaluation, assessment (entrance testing), equitable classroom environments (in-person and virtual), classroom management

• Student Support

Onboarding (enrollment, recruitment, student orientations), Title IX, conduct, bias-based incidents, programming, student life, counseling and health, disability support, veterans, immigrants and undocumented students, student clubs, student employment, student success, advising, financial supports, multicultural student support

• Non-Student Facing Campus Services and Employee Support

Facilities, Human Resources, Security, Business Services, Information Technology, Communications and Marketing, Institutional Effectiveness, strategic planning

- Professional Development and Personal Growth Related to Diversity, Equity & Inclusion Historical overviews, conversations around systemic racism, current events, educational/foundational knowledge and skills, trauma-informed care
- Public Sector, Private Sector, and Non-Profit Organizations

Human Resources; equitable business practices; culturally-responsive management; outreach and marketing; community partnerships, collaboration, and organizing, grant writing and fundraising

To Submit a Proposal

Complete the online proposal submission form at www.clark.edu/forms/nw-equity-conference-proposal.php. Incomplete submissions will not be considered. The submission deadline is October 30, 2020. Notification emails will be sent to the primary presenter via email on November 13, 2020. Selected presenters will have one week to accept the invitation and must register for the conference.

Other information

All workshops are 90 minutes in length.

Accessibility Considerations

Please ensure your presentation is checked for accessibility/universal design (for PowerPoint use alt-text for images/graphics, captions are added to videos, color contract considerations.) Please consider mobility for activities to ensure equitable presentations. (Only fully accessible platforms such as PowerPoint or Google Slides should be used.)

Registration Information

NWREC will cover the cost of the presenters' registration for the conference (maximum: two presenters).

Thank you,

Clark College Office of Diversity, Equity & Inclusion and the NWREC Planning Team