



REQUEST FOR PRESENTATIONS

Oregon Community College Association

2022 Annual Conference @ Sunriver Resort, Sunriver, Oregon

Reimagining & Building Success: Reengage, Refocus, Revitalize

The Oregon Community College Association (OCCA) invites you to submit proposals for breakout sessions for our annual conference scheduled for November 2-4, 2022. This year's conference is expected to take place in person at Sunriver Resort. We encourage you to take this opportunity to share best practices, showcase a unique college program or inform other stakeholders about an event or issue affecting your institution and/or community colleges on a broader level.

This year's theme is *Reimagining & Building Success: Reengage, Refocus, Revitalize*. All presentation proposals should relate to the conference theme in some fashion. We have also identified topic areas that we encourage conference presentations to focus on or relate to in some way:

- **Equitable Pathways to Good Careers** – How are community colleges moving more students into higher wage programs or junior standing as a transfer?
- **Board & College Commitment to Equity Engagement** – The OCCA board is committed to learning, growing, and understanding both individually and collectively the diverse communities we serve and how best to meet their needs. We welcome presentations on how colleges are engaged in and advancing this work with their local communities.
- **Advancing Advocacy** – Board members, presidents, college faculty and staff, students and community members can all be powerful advocates for their respective colleges. We welcome presentations on best practices for working with legislators, sharing your message, and building relationships with business and community stakeholders.
- **Policy & Procedure** – These are important operational issues colleges deal with every day such as public meeting law, board member ethics, PERS 101, local budget law, etc.
- **Other** – Have other ideas? We welcome your submissions even if they don't fit into one of the above categories. Please just make sure they fit within our overall theme of *Reimagining & Building Success: Reengage, Refocus, Revitalize*.

The breakout sessions run for approximately 60 minutes. PLEASE NOTE: We have added special time for discussion after breakout sessions but **please leave time in your session for Q & A**. The objective of the conference is to broaden participants' perspectives through conversations and sessions that define new approaches to current issues. Participants should walk away with ideas they can implement at their college or in their communities. *This is also a time to engage – let's bring the energy and positive momentum with upbeat, energetic presentations!*

Proposals will be selected based on the following criteria:

- Relevance and significance of the topic to the conference audience
- Relevance of the topic to conference theme
- Expertise of proposed session leader(s)
- Content of presentation/discussion outline (see below)

Conference Schedule

November 2: Welcome Dinner – 6:00-8:00 p.m.

November 3: Breakout Sessions/General Session Speakers- 8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.
Howard Cherry Awards Banquet- 6:00-8:00 p.m.

November 4: Breakout Sessions/General Session Speakers – 8:00 a.m.- 12:00 p.m.

Breakout Session Proposals

Please submit a brief proposal using the attached fillable PDF form. All submissions must be made using this form.

- 1) Presentation title *(please keep title descriptive and between 8-10 words)*
- 2) Name(s) and title(s) of proposed presenter(s)/session leader(s)
- 3) Topic/issue category *(must fit into one or more of the following: Equitable Pathways to Good Careers; Board & College Commitment to Equity Engagement; Advancing Advocacy; Policy & Procedure; or Other)*
- 4) Why knowledge of this issue is important for other colleges and interested parties *(i.e., board members, stakeholders)*
- 5) Brief explanation of session leader's relationship to/knowledge of the topic
- 6) Proposed format for session *(presentation, round table discussion, etc)*
- 7) Brief, 1-3 sentence description of your presentation for the conference program. (Please note OCCA staff may need to edit to fit conference program)
- 8) Attach an outline of your presentation
- 9) Contact information (address, phone, email) for session leader and/or other appropriate college contacts
- 10) Please confirm your presenters will be able to attend in-person.

NOTE: All panels must be moderated with a clear focus on the topic described in the proposal.

OCCA welcomes members of all backgrounds, ethnicities, nationalities, religions, gender identities and sexual orientations. We take a resolute approach in our response to any display of insensitivity to diversity and inclusion through words, images, or actions. We seek to foster an organization that is universally welcoming, respectful, educational, and professional. Presenters and conference presentations are expected to be inclusive and respectful in all areas, including but not limited to terminology and imagery.

Please feel free to call 503-399-9912 if you are concerned about possible duplication of topics, or to see if certain sessions are already scheduled. We look forward to your participation!

**Please email your proposal by Friday, September 9, 2022, to:
Lochlan Rehbein-Verhoeven, Executive Assistant, lochlan@occa17.com.**

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