

Campus teams of provosts, ambassadors, and faculty  
are invited to attend the



# 2019 NAC&U SUMMER INSTITUTE

June 14 -15, 2019

Hamilton Hotel Washington, DC

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## Equity-Minded Curricular Reform

Attendees will explore how NAC&U institutions are best suited to bring about equity in higher education, especially in the areas of student success and the co-curriculum; equity as a course design principle; and integration across majors, minors, and degree requirement programs.

This will be a working institute with integrated discussions among academic affairs leaders and faculty that will lead to concrete actions that attendees can bring back to their campuses.

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*"Equity-minded leaders are aware of the historical context of exclusionary practices in higher education and recognize the impact of this history. They recognize the contradiction between the ideals of democratic education and the social, institutional, and individual practices that contribute to persistent inequities in college outcomes. Equity-minded leaders also reject the ingrained habit of blaming inequities in access, opportunity, and outcomes on students' own social, cultural, and educational backgrounds. Most important, equity-minded leaders use this mindset to act for change. They recognize the need for systemic transformation, starting in school and continuing in higher education, to make quality learning for the nation's underserved students a shared priority. They invest their time, effort, and political capital into discussing these issues and mobilizing institution-wide efforts and community partnerships to address them."*

-- AAC&U, *Step Up and Lead for Equity: What Higher Education Can Do to Reverse Our Deepening Divides*, 2015

The Institute will begin on  
Friday morning and conclude  
Saturday midday.  
Campus ambassadors are  
tentatively scheduled to  
meet on Thursday (6/13)  
afternoon.

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## Call for Catalyst Leaders

The 2019 Summer Institute format will feature structured yet flexible, topical-based discussions directed by catalyst leaders. Acting as facilitators for small groups, the catalyst leaders will present just enough information to generate robust conversations in the group.

Lengthy, formal presentations are not necessary or encouraged.

Please see below for *potential* discussion topics under each sub-theme.

### *Equity-Minded Curricular Reform*

#### **Student Success & Co-Curriculum**

- Academic & student life partnerships
- First (and second) year experience programs
- Different ways to leverage academic advising
- Peer mentoring programs for historically underserved student populations
- Institutional strategies to support transgendered student persistence
- Comparing behavior of iGen & current post-traditional students to previous generations

#### **Equity as a Course Design Principle**

- In-class strategies that engage all students
- Approaches to handling difficult conversations in class
- Designing course syllabi in ways that are accessible to students from all backgrounds
- Challenges faced in different academic disciplines as faculty work to diversify course content
- Relationships between course modality (face to face, blended, online) & student success
- Strategies for designing assignments that enable all students to be successful

#### **Integration Across Majors, Minors, & Degree Requirement Programs**

- Scaling high-impact practices to help students make connections across learning areas
- Sharing results of institutional or program level assessments to stimulate ideation about program collaboration to reinforce learning
- Scaffolding student learning outcomes across multiple program areas (e.g., majors & gen ed)
- Examining the utility of e-portfolios to help transfer learning across experiences
- Interdisciplinarity as an approach to fostering integrative thinking & learning

**To recommend a catalyst leader** (you or someone else from your campus), please send the following information to

**Michelle Apuzzio** at [apuzzio@newamericancolleges.org](mailto:apuzzio@newamericancolleges.org):

- Leader's name
- Leader's title
- Leader's contact information
- Suggested sub-theme/topic
- Brief description of the person's background/experience that makes him/her a good fit to lead this topic

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## Registration & Hotel Information

### **Registration fee: \$250 per person**

*Registration includes lunch and breaks;  
dinner and breakfast are on your own.*

**CLICK HERE TO REGISTER  
your campus team  
(up to 5 people)**

You will be asked to appoint a contact person to  
whom the invoice will be sent.

*Registering fewer than five?*

Click 'next' at the bottom of the reg form to  
advance through the form to the 'submit' button  
(also at the bottom of the page).



### **HAMILTON HOTEL**

1001 14th St NW, Washington DC  
\$179/night (plus tax)

**Click here to make a reservation online.**

**Call 866-407-1764 and  
mention 'CUR06' to book via phone.**

Deadline: Tuesday, May 14, 2019