

2019 NAC&U SUMMER INSTITUTE

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:

- 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