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Communities of Practice

Communities of Practice (CoP) at Skyline College are a professional development opportunity to bring together small interdisciplinary teams of faculty, staff, and administrators (6-8) who will meet regularly throughout the academic year to discuss, strategize, address pedagogy or academia-related problem of mutual interest. The goal of each CoP will be to develop a work plan by October 2018 that outlines deliverables for the academic year. It is expected that each CoP will meet a minimum of once a month and present results of projects to the campus community on Flex Day, August 2019.

The topic areas for the communities of practices this year are:

1. Social Justice and Sustainability
2. Service Learning
3. Transformative Pedagogy and Practices
4. Hybrid and Online Learning

Why do we have Communities of Practice?

Skyline College is investing heavily in professional development for faculty and staff—infusing pedagogy with culturally fluency and digital knowledge. Redesigned and more effective student experiences require multiple dimensions of faculty expertise. While content knowledge is essential, expertise in effective teaching practices, curriculum pathway design, instructional technologies, learning assessment, and student development are equally important. Communities of Practice create a cross-functional structure to improve student success.

How can I participate as a CoP group member?

CoP Faculty Leads will deliver a presentation during Flex Day on Tuesday August 14, 2018. The presentation will provide an overview of the progress, accomplishments and activities from the past year. Following the presentation is a breakout session where you can find out how to get involved in a CoP.

Resources

- Powerful Learning Communities By: Oscar T. Lenning, Denise M. Hill, Kevin P. Saund
- Community of Practice Design Guide: A Step-by-Step Guide for Designing & Cultivating Communities of Practice in Higher Education