Call for Proposals: The 22nd Annual CELT Conference "Teaching and Learning in Today's California" October 6-7, 2016

Proposal Deadline: Friday, May 6 at 5 PM

CSU, Chico's Center for Excellence in Learning and Teaching is pleased to announce the 22nd Annual Conference on Learning and Teaching for faculty, staff, students, administration, and community members.

This year we focus on **Teaching and Learning in Today's California**. Changes in student demographics, community needs, and relationships between institutions of higher learning compel us to consider what it means to teach and learn in today's California.

In 2014 the State of California allocated \$50 million to campuses with programs proven to increase student success as measured by timely degrees awarded and transfers between systems. The program was a signal of changing priorities and a recognition that innovation happens in many different places. In this new environment, educators are challenged to bring their best practises and align them with new priorities and changing students. We look forward to this discussion at CELT 2016.

This year's conference is an opportunity to explore these issues in our own context. Proposals are encouraged in the following areas:

- Civic engagement and service learning
- Diversity, first-generation, and low income students
- Setting high expectations and maintaining academic challenge
- Utilizing technology to meet student needs
- Teaching and Learning at a Hispanic Serving Institution
- Linking learning to real-world interest and long-term goals
- Fostering a sense of belonging in the classroom and beyond
- Building relationships across institutions
- Connecting coursework with local and regional communities
- Other innovative pedagogical research and practise

Sessions may take the following forms:

- Presentation followed by discussion
- Panel presentation followed by discussion
- Moderated round-table discussion (advanced sign-up; everyone participates)
- Hands-on working session (advanced sign-up; everyone participates)
- Poster session to be held Friday morning

All Thursday sessions will be 75 minutes in length and all Friday sessions will be 50 minutes in length to align with class schedules, but requests for two back-to-back sessions to accommodate a longer discussion or activity may be made.

Proposals are welcomed from students, educators, and administrators from California's K-12 system, Community Colleges, and Universities. All proposals are reviewed by the Faculty Development Advisory Board at CSU, Chico.

The proposal submission form can be found here. Proposals are due on May 6 at 5pm.

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