“Strong Foundations, Strong Future”

EOP Conference 2016

Call for Proposals

Important Dates:

All session proposals & papers due: February 8th, 2016

Notification of acceptance: February 16th, 2016

Pre-conference workshop materials due (for printing): March 15th, 2016

Regular presentation materials due: April 15th, 2016

EOP Conference: Saturday, April 30th, 2016

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The EOP conference serves many purposes. The EOP Alums are provided an opportunity to reconnect with the program and meet current students. Current students gain networking experience and benefit from mentoring of Alums.

The conference also provides information, educational materials, and a forum to showcase presentation skills for Alums and students.

All these aspects of the EOP conference serve to strengthen the EOP family connection and program as a whole.

What is the focus of this year’s conference?

This conference will focus on the concept of a strong foundation. EOP has been on the SUNY New Paltz campus for 47 years and this conference will discuss our personal foundations, the program founding mission, and how we contribute to our future as individuals and as part of the community by building a strong foundations for future growth.
In this call, we seek proposals for:

- Alumni presentations - one or more Alums presenting on a related topic
- Student presentations- one or more Current students presenting on a related topic
- Alumni/Student Presentations- Presentations given by combinations of current and past students

All proposals can address core EOP principles of community, leadership, achievement, EOP history, and future plans for EOP. These should be discussed through the concept of foundation building on a personal, programmatic, or community level.

We encourage submissions from all alums and students. We will choose our presenters from submission that are timely and in the requested format.

**Theme & topics**

This year's theme is ‘Strong Foundations, Strong Future’ and we wish to examine three things:

- EOP students and alums as builders of a personal foundations for growth that positively contribute to the program and community
- EOP students and alums as creators of the fundamentals of leadership, ie: how to nurture and develop our future leaders
- EOP relationships: how alums and current students can take the foundations they build here forward into the world post-degree and create stronger Communities.

Note: Marketing pitches will not be accepted.

**Workshop types:**

**Alumni or Student Program Sessions - Presentations**

Sessions are typically 45-75 minutes, but another length can be proposed if appropriate.

Successful submissions will be judged on the following attributes:

- Contribution to EOP practice, theory and community
- Value and appeal to conference attendees
- Original, inspirational or thought-provoking content
All submissions must be made via E-mail. When submitting a proposal for a regular session, please include:

- Overview Information (in the proposal form)
  - Title of session
  - Name of Presenter(s)
  - Type of presentation – Alum or Student
  - Full contact information on the person submitting, who will be the sole contact person regarding the proposal
  - Summary or Abstract (up to 500 words)

- Proposal description (as an attachment):
  - Description of Session (1 to 3 pages)
  - Core EOP-related issues addressed
  - Suggested session length
  - Type of session
  - Keywords/tags/topics (see the proposal template for more details)

- Speaker details (as an attachment):
  - Speaker Biographies (1 or 2 paragraphs each).

Templates for conference workshops and speaker details contain lists of information required. You do not have to use these templates, but must provide information for each heading in the template, and must not include speaker details in the same document as the proposal description. These templates are in .doc and .pdf format, please contact us if you would like an alternate format.