

Student Development Commission Conference Break Session Topics

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Build a strong sense of student belonging and engagement with faculty and class.

The level of student success and achievement can be accentuated by adding the component of student self-efficacy to the classroom. External, yet powerful, and influential allies, await the creative faculty professor while building rich engagement filled curriculum content. Through the use of common technology tools, I will show faculty how they can build connections with student achievement, by incorporating the external motivational factors all students possess. Experience some time proven effective strategies to build student self-efficacy, or create new ones of your own to share and create high levels of student success.

Our Union, Our Hub: Caring for our student union “Body”

The Student Union is widely considered the hub of most college campuses- a living, breathing organism. This hub is often responsible for first impressions, setting the tone and culture of the campus community and providing an environment for student engagement and building relationships. The mood of the student body is often palpable within the union, as we can sense stress, excitement, anxiety, and pride among our students. If we think about the union as a living structure, shouldn't we take care of it as such? This presentation seeks to explore techniques to care holistically for your student union, physically and emotionally, ultimately improving the experience of your student body.

Effective Customer Service (Abstract TBA)

An Uncut Look into the World of Supervision

Do you think you know everything about supervision?! The truth may surprise you! This presentation will give you a behind-the-scenes view of the glamorous world of supervising and include specific discussion of some of the things no one ever talks about. Key topics included in this presentation are: communication, team dynamics, and self-care.

Fostering Better Images (FBI)

In this interactive, spy-themed session, participants will have the opportunity to navigate many of the challenges students face during their educational journeys. Team missions, candid conversations, and realistic scenarios will be used to fully engage participants throughout the session. Participants will leave this session energized by what they learned and excited about applying this new knowledge to their roles at their home institutions!

Other session topics to include roundtable discussions on:

Financial aid

Student Advising

Seeking another degree

And more to come!

