



Early Childhood
Inclusion

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In a world of ordinary mortals, you are an early childhood professional:

Let's celebrate you!

August 8-10, 2018

Monmouth, Oregon

Call for Workshop Presenters

Proposal Due Date: March 2, 2018

Email proposals to:

Dr. Cindy Ryan, Early Childhood Inclusion Summer Institute Director
ryanc@wou.edu

Please visit the conference website at:

<http://www.wouecisummerinstitute.com>

Background:

The fifth annual Early Childhood Inclusion (ECI) Summer Institute at Western Oregon University (WOU) brings together early childhood and early intervention/early childhood special education pre-service and practicing teachers, as well as families of young children on the WOU campus for quality professional development, collaboration, and celebration. Our theme, *In a world of ordinary mortals, you are an early childhood professional: Let's celebrate you!* promises to bring early childhood teachers, staff, and administrators into the forefront by celebrating who they are. We will bridge theory and practice by providing participants with workshops that provide them with innovative strategies and ideas to bring back to the classroom and/or home.

Early Childhood Inclusion Summer Institute Goals:

- To bring together families, students, early childhood and early childhood special educators and their teams in order to build trusting and collaborative relationships that support all young children in inclusive settings.
- To provide professional development around early childhood inclusion that reflects best practices, support practical strategies and ideas, and empowers families and early childhood/early intervention and early childhood special educators from all backgrounds.
- To celebrate the hard work and dedication of all those who love, raise, and educate young children of all abilities.

Who Should Attend:

- Community college and university early childhood education students & faculty
- Family members and parents of all young children
- Early childhood teachers and staff (Head Start, relief nurseries, public preschool, child care)
- Home Visitors, Early intervention & early childhood special education teachers and team members
- Early elementary (K-3) school teachers and Instructional Assistants
- Administrators

- Educational consultants, advocates, policy makers, and more

Summer Institute Theme and Workshop Strands:

Presentations should fit within the theme of the Summer Institute, *In a world of ordinary mortals, you are an early childhood professional: Let's celebrate you!* We are building our theme around providers, teachers, and staff. We want to celebrate, embrace, and enhance the possibilities. Workshops should focus on practical strategies, activities, tools, and best practices as they relate to improving practices around inclusion in early childhood, and self-care and advancement in the early childhood profession.

Potential Workshop Strand Topics:

- **Self-Care for Teachers**
- **Reflective Practice for teachers and staff**
- **Play & play related topics** (*with a focus on inclusion*)
- **Family Centered Practices** (*home visiting & classroom*)
- **Innovative strategies & classroom practices** (*social-emotional, inclusive practices, and more, again with a focus on inclusion*)
- **STEM** (*integrating STEM in inclusive classrooms, assistive technology, etc.*)
- **Workshops specifically for families** (*advocacy, transition, etc.*)
- **Equity and Culturally Competent Practices**
- **Screening and assessment**
- **Collaboration & consultation**
- **Transition** (*between birth-3 and preschool, & preschool to kindergarten*)
- **Supervision**
- **Other workshop ideas around the topic of inclusion in early childhood are welcome**

Age Level:

- The ECI Summer Institute seeks proposals, which address the age range from infancy though age nine. Proposers are asked to identify the following age levels: Birth-2yr., Birth-5yr., 3-5yr., 5-9yr., Birth-9yr.

Submission Requirements:

- Submit complete application to ryanc@wou.edu **by 3/2/18**
- Include the following:
 - Completed application form
 - Attach description and any other required materials
- Application must include all required elements

Proposal Review Process:

The Early Childhood Inclusion Summer Institute Workshop Committee will begin the review of proposals, and will email notifications to the lead presenter by March 2, 2018

Workshop Presenter Selection Criteria:

- Relevance of the topic to the theme of the Summer Institute
- Relevance of the workshop proposal to the intended audiences (families, pre-service and in-service teachers and practitioners of young children birth-8 years)
- Quality and clarity of the workshop description and stated learning objectives

- Originality and creativity

Registration:

In accordance with ECI Summer Institute's registration policy, all session leaders and co-presenters must register for the conference by June 1, 2018. Please register before this date in order to be included in the official ECI Summer Institute's program.

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

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Please answer all questions and complete all required elements of this proposal. Submissions must **be emailed or received by mail no later than Friday, March 2, 2018.**

Email or mail proposals to:

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 345 N. Monmouth Av.
 Monmouth, OR 97361
 or email: ryanc@wou.edu

1. Lead Presenter Information: (Please type or print below)

First Name:	Last Name:	
Job Title:	Organization/School:	
Work Phone:	Email:	
Address:		
City:	State:	Zip:

2. Additional presenters, including first and last name, title and organization

Name:	Job Title:
Organization/School:	

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3. I am interested in selling items in the exhibit hall ___yes ___no
Materials may not be sold during workshop sessions.

4. Workshop Title: (no more than 12 words) _____

5. Learning Objectives: As a result of attending this workshop participants will be able to:

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

6. Short workshop description for final program & ECSI website: (60-word limit, can attach a separate sheet of paper) _____

7. Presentation style: (please circle/highlight) Lecture/Panel Hands-on/Interactive

Peer-to-Peer Discussion

8. Audience level (circle/highlight all that apply) Beginner/Overview Intermediate

Experienced Families

9. Age group focus: (circle/highlight all that apply)

Birth-2years birth-5years 3-5years 5-9years birth-9years

10. Target audience: (check all that apply)

___ Families

___ Early childhood/EI & ECSE teaching staff (including related service providers)

___ Early elementary (K-3) teachers and staff

___ Student (community college/university)

___ Trainers

___ Early childhood consultants and advocates

___ Administrators

11. This session can be presented in the following time slot:

1.5 hours 3 hours 6 hours (full day, with a 1.5hour break
for lunch)

12. Scheduling preference (check all that apply)

am interested in exploring a pre-conference all day session (Tuesday, August 7)
 Weds. August 8 Thurs. August 9 Friday August 10 (a.m. only)

13. I am willing to repeat my workshop:

Yes, on any (8/8-8/10) day Yes on same day

14. Please choose a room set-up (choose only one. Also, although we will do our best to meet your room set up needs, we cannot guarantee a specific room)

Tables for hands-on project work
 Space for movement activities
 Theater style (chairs in rows)
 No particular room set-up is necessary

15. Technology: Each room will be equipped with a LCD projector, computer with internet and sound, doc camera. If you require other audio-visual equipment, please list it here and we will try to accommodate your needs: _____

16. I am comfortable presenting to the following audience:

Up to 35 people Up to 50 people
 Up to 75 people Other: _____

17. Additional information or comments about your sessions that will help us with scheduling and room assignments:

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