



*A Kaleidoscope of Inclusion: Culturally Responsive
Practice in Early Childhood*
August 4-6, 2020
Monmouth, Oregon

Call for Workshop Presenters

Proposal Due Date: January 31, 2020

Email proposals to:

Dr. Cindy Ryan, Early Childhood Inclusion Summer Institute Director
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Please visit the conference website at:

<http://www.wouecisummerinstitute.com>

Background:

The 6th 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, *A Kaleidoscope of Inclusion: Culturally Responsive Practice in Early Childhood* promises to highlight best practices in culturally responsive practices in the inclusive classroom, as well as for home visitors. 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/elementary 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 & equity 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, *A Kaleidoscope of Inclusion: Culturally Responsive Practice in Early Childhood*. We have built our theme around creating equitable and culturally responsive practices within early childhood. Workshops should focus on

practical strategies, activities, tools, and best practices as they relate to improving practices around equity, cultural competence, and inclusion in early childhood.

Potential Workshop Strand Topics:**

****We are looking to provide a number of sessions in Spanish this year. If you are a Spanish speaker, or know of a colleague who can present in Spanish, we could use your help!**

- **Equitable and culturally competent practices for home visitors**
- **Equitable and culturally competent practices for EC and Early Elementary classrooms**
- **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.*)
- **Screening and assessment**
- **Collaboration & consultation**
- **Transition** (*between birth-3 and preschool, & preschool to kindergarten*)
- **Supervision**
- **Other workshop ideas around the topic of inclusion, equity & cultural competence in early childhood are welcome**

Age Level:

- The ECI Summer Institute seeks proposals, which address the age range from infancy through age nine. Proposers are asked to identify the following age levels: Birth-2yr., Birth-5yr., 3-5yr., 5-8yr., Birth-8yr.

Submission Requirements:

- Submit complete application to ryanc@wou.edu **by 1/31/20**
- 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 February 10, 2020

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 19, 2020. 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, January 31, 2020.

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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 having a booth 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 check all that apply)

Lecture/Panel____ Hands-on/Interactive____ Peer-to-Peer Discussion____

8. Audience level (check all that apply)

Beginner/Overview____ Intermediate____ Experienced____ Families____

9. Age group focus: (check all that apply)

Birth-2yrs____ birth-5yrs____ 3-5yrs____ 5-8yrs____ birth-8yrs____

10. Target audience: (check all that apply)

- ___ Families
- ___ Home Visitors
- ___ 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 hour 3 hours 6 hours (full day, w/ a 1.5hour break for lunch)

12. This session qualifies as: Set 2 Training Set 3 Training NA

13. I can provide this session in Spanish Yes No

14. Scheduling preference (check all that apply)

am interested in exploring a pre-conference all day (6hr) session (Tuesday, August 4)
 Weds. August 5 (Full day of workshops) Thurs. August 6 (Full day of workshops)

15. I am willing to repeat my workshop:

Yes, on any (8/5-8/6) day Yes on same day as I present

16. Technology: Each room will be equipped with an 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: _____

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

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