

**2015 Utah Campus Compact Biennial Engaged Faculty Retreat**  
**“Including Community in Higher Education”**  
**Thursday, February 5 – Saturday, February 7**  
**Dixie State University, St. George, Utah**  
**Announcement and Call for Proposals**

The Utah Campus Compact (UCC) Biennial Engaged Faculty Retreat is designed by the Faculty Development Network (FDN) to give faculty, administrators, community partners, and advanced practitioners the opportunity to address key issues in community engagement including service-learning, community-based research and the culture of engagement on our campuses. Participants will have the opportunity to explore these issues throughout the retreat. We are soliciting proposals for a series of concurrent sessions to facilitate the exchange of ideas, stimulate learning, and to advance community engagement practices in the higher education institutions across the state of Utah. These sessions will be supplemented by additional networking and gathering opportunities facilitated by the FDN. Together these opportunities to learn together will construct an enriching retreat experience.

### Retreat Theme and Guiding Questions

The theme of the 2015 Biennial Engaged Faculty Retreat is “Including the Community in Higher Education”. In support of the theme, we are accepting proposals that speak to a range of professional and institutional contexts. The FDN has developed a set of guiding questions to help you develop a proposal for a workshop, panel, or poster/media display that speaks to this theme. We ask that you respond to one or more of the following when developing a proposal:

- How does your institution define its "community" and assess the needs of that community?
  - In what ways do inclusion and social justice inform these considerations?
  - How does this assessment inform development of strong, meaningful curricular and/or co-curricular coordinated community engagement efforts (e.g. service activities, programs, and other learning experiences)?
- What have you learned from evaluating the success of community engaged and/or inclusion programs using innovative methods (e.g. ePortfolios, critical student reflection, community impact)?
- How are you institutionalizing community engagement (e.g. creating engaged departments) and/or institutionalizing full participation (e.g. inclusion programs)? In what ways do (or could) these efforts overlap?
- If you could design the ideal support structure for yourself as a community engaged faculty member what would it look like? What are you and your colleagues doing to move your campus toward creating these systems?

### Proposal Submissions

**Proposals are due by Monday, January 5th at Noon (12:00 pm).** Please use this form: <http://bit.ly/1vn3bUP> to make a submission.

You will be asked to provide the following information:

Principal Presenter -Name, Title, Department, Institution, E-mail, Campus & cell phone number

Additional Presenter(s) - Name, Title, Department, Institution

Program – Title, Abstract, Format (workshop/paper presentation – 30 min, panel – 60 min, or Poster/Media Display) and Anticipated A/V needs - (e.g. LCD projector, flip charts, markers, internet access) Note: Utah Campus Compact cannot provide laptops, remote controls, laptop speakers, or MAC adaptors and will not have LCD projectors available for the Poster/Media session.

Theme & guiding questions -To which of the guiding questions is your proposal a response? (check all that apply)

***Interdisciplinary, interdepartmental and intercampus submissions are welcomed. Proposals will be reviewed by the Faculty Development Network and selected presenters will be notified by e-mail on or before Wednesday, January 7<sup>th</sup>.***

## Additional Information about the Retreat

### Registration

UCC Member institutions may send a cohort of participants that are involved (or want to be involved) with the effort to engage campus with community. ***Faculty and other participants must register through their campus, please contact the person listed for your campus by Friday, January 9th if you plan to attend.*** (Note the hotel room block ends on Wed, Jan 7)

Dixie State University – [Thomas Saffell](#)  
Salt Lake Community College: [Lucy Smith](#)  
Snow College: [English Brooks](#)  
Southern Utah University: [Earl Mulderink](#)  
Utah State University – [Kate Stephens](#)

University of Utah: [Chris Jensen](#)  
Utah Valley University: [Eric Russell](#)  
Weber State University: [Leah Murray](#)  
Westminster College: [Julie Tille](#)

The registration fee is \$100 per participant and each institution is invited to send up to 15 participants. We anticipate the desire to include community partners given the theme of this year's retreat to that end we are offering a reduced registration rate of \$70 for partners. Institutions seeking to include more than 15 participants may add those individuals to a wait list that will be processed on a space-available basis. We are usually able to accommodate additional requests.

Utah Campus Compact will provide presentation materials, meeting space, continental breakfasts, lunches, and hors d'oeuvres at the opening reception. Lodging, transportation and all other meals are at the expense of the institution, community organization, or individual. *If you are seeking financial support to participate please consult your campus contact.*

### Pre-Retreat Extended Sessions

The FDN has chosen to offer Pre-Retreat Extended Sessions the afternoon (1-5) of Thursday, February 5<sup>th</sup> that offer a space for more thorough information sharing and deeper thinking. The pre-retreat sessions are included in the registration fee. Local faculty interested in participating in the pre-retreat session exclusively may register at a reduced rate of \$25. Participants must pre-register with their campus contact by Friday, January 9.

**Topics:** 1) Introduction to Community Engaged Learning 2) Interfaith Service

### Hotel Accommodations

The Abbey Inn in St. George has a block of 30 rooms for Thursday, February 5 and 50 rooms on hold for Friday, February 6 that can be reserved through **Wednesday, January 7th**. Reservations can be made as a group from each campus or by individuals. Contact the Abbey Inn directly and mention the Utah Campus Compact group rate of \$80.74 (double-occupancy). We encourage you stay at the Abbey Inn as they have nice accommodations and provide a comprehensive hot breakfast. Standard rates in St. George at this time of year are approximately \$120 per room. *This hotel is not near enough to campus to walk you will need a vehicle for ground transport.*

### Abbey Inn – Best Western Plus

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