

3rd Annual Collaborators for Change Diversity Summit

Call for Proposals

The Planning Committee for Collaborators for Change is pleased to announce the Call for Proposals for the 3rd annual Collaborators for Change diversity summit to be held March 24, 2017.

Summit theme: Collaborators for Change- Continuing the Conversation

The inaugural Collaborators for Change diversity summit presented best practices in diversity and inclusion to members of our campus's diversity councils and commissions. Last year we focused on how to turn these concepts and ideas into practice in our work and daily experiences. To that end, this year's theme is "Continuing the Conversation."

Faculty and staff from the University of Tennessee, Knoxville are invited to submit proposals for presentations, panels, workshops/interactive sessions, or posters/exhibits addressing diversity and inclusion. We hope to address a range of critically important issues and themes for our campus. Diversity and inclusion work is everyone's every day business. We are eager to hear about your projects and strategies to advance diversity and inclusion at UT. We encourage you to submit more than one proposal if you have multiple presentation ideas.

We are specifically looking for case studies that exemplify real-world practice and/or disruption of:

- Power and privilege
- Race, ethnicity, and Whiteness
- Religious expression and inclusion
- Solidarity and individualism
- (Dis)Abilities, access, and inclusion
- Cooperation vs. co-opting
- Gender identity and expression
- Intragroup conflict
- Sexual orientation and expression
- Expressions of identity by in-groups and out-groups
- Discrimination and microaggressions (ageism, sexism, racism, ableism, etc.)
- Social construction and evolution of identities

Proposals extending beyond these thematic areas will be considered as long as the case study approach is a fundamental component of the presentation. We will favor proposals that accomplish any of the following:

- Demonstrates effectiveness of the practice
- Advances knowledge base of existing literature and theory
- Features presenters of different university statuses, identities, experiences
- Improves university capacity and engagement in diversity and inclusion

- Transforms curriculums and/or programs to enhance diverse and underrepresented perspectives

Presentation Information

What kind of format is your presentation?

- Formal presentation
- Panel presentation and discussion
- Workshop/interactive session
- Poster presentations

Presentation title

Presentation abstract

- Description of your session as it will appear in our summit materials. If your proposal is accepted, this abstract will be edited for consistency.

Elevator pitch

- Why is this relevant to summit attendees? Why is this case study informative for our university community? This helps us better understand your proposal and will not be shown to attendees.

Presenter(s) name, title, and department

Multimedia needs (Optional)

Proposal Timeline

The call for proposals will close October 28, 2016 at 11:59 p.m. ET.

Proposals will be reviewed and selected by the summit planning committee and the proposal review committee. You will be notified by November 11, 2016 if your proposal is accepted.

Questions?

Contact tsmall@utk.edu if you have any questions.

