

CEE Broadening Participation and Workforce Development
8/4/2020 Call Notes

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Discussion:

1. Admin - Linda
 - a. August IPR – All input received and entered into the document. Lorna and Maytal worked over the weekend to provide the reporting period data. Many thanks to them to ensuring we could be on time.
 - b. XSEDE Quarterly Meeting – Tuesday, September 1 & Wednesday, September 2 from 9:00 am - 4:00 pm C; expect session on Terminology Task Force, training coordination.
 - c. PY10 Staffing Changes
 - Valerie Herold (SURA) no longer on the project effective August 3rd
 - Sue Fratkin (TACC) 10% on BP
 - Je'aime Powell (TACC) will be 20% on BP in addition to his participation on ESTEO
 - Unislawa Williams (SURA) as BP Data Science Fellow for 10 months with a focus on working with Kate on the ACSC curriculum workshops and materials and resources curation.

2. BP Training Events and Workshops
 - a. Advanced Computing for Social Change Faculty Curriculum Development – Kate, Linda, Jay, & John
 - 18 participants and 2 mentors
 - 23 courses updated with social change data science activities/modules (20 of which being offered this fall/3 being offered in the spring) and are being evaluated by Lorna
 - Courses ranged from Africana Feminist Theory to C++, Econometrics, Supply Chain Management, and Intro to Asian Studies
 - Includes the gen education data science course for the AUC schools that will become a requirement for all undergraduates – potentially reaching 9,000 students per year when fully implemented
 - Agenda and format appeared to work well
 - Plan to rework R training to a format similar to the CSULA Python with David Walling's assistance
 - Sending email out with resource list collected from SLACK, Chat, Google, and emails
 - Jetstream worked well for the workshop. Jay and David worked together with a small group who were interested in using Jetstream in their courses. Anticipating submission of education allocation requests for the fall.
 - Looking forward to the focus group report from Lorna.
 - Just missing final presentations from 4 participants and one talent release. Overall, good job of collecting social justice presentations, final presentations, and syllabi from participating faculty.

- b. Advanced Computing for Social Change Student Workshop – Rosie, Marques, Jay, & John
 - Format worked well for the students.
 - Ratio of mentors to participants very high. 9 mentors and 19 participants.
 - Use of Youtube videos on creating accounts and implementing DUO worked very well and allowed the recovery of 60 to 90 minutes of time on the agenda
 - Final student presentations were excellent. Recordings available on the google drive.
 - The constraints of delivering virtual created some efficiencies over the in-person that should be carried over to the next in-person.
3. Communications
 - a. John Holly will take on the preparation and dissemination of the MRC news.
 - b. Linda will interact with ER for stories and submissions for the XSEDE news and social media
4. Conferences – to be discussed on separate call
 - a. Tapia
 - b. SACNAS
5. Education - XAB Recommendation (JIRA) - Consider how XSEDE's education programs can benefit larger community – Kate will send draft response to Linda for review. Then will enter in JIRA to update or close the item.
6. EMPOWER – Aaron
 - a. Received 50 student applications and 29 mentor project applications.
 - b. Sent out call for reviewers and hope to wrap up the review process quickly
 - c. Higher than prior applications for the fall
7. Training Events, Materials, Badges, & Roadmaps et al – no updates
8. PEARC20
 - a. John Town plenary on new systems really informative and recommend watching the recording.
 - b. Brella platform was not as efficient and didn't make networking easy. Creating "hallways" on the fly for people who wanted to network at the ACSC faculty workshop worked much better. It also was difficult to move between the schedule and the sessions.
 - c. Education workshop facilitated by Kate, Susan, and others went very well.
 - d. BoF on Science Gateway Requirements at MSIs also appeared to be successful with some ideas for collaborative proposals discussed.
9. August Vacations
 - a. Linda Akli, starting Thursday 8/6 returning Thursday 8/13 and Tuesday 8/18
 - b. Jay Alameda starting Wednesday 8/5 returning Monday 8/17
 - c. John Holly Tuesday 8/12 returning Tuesday 8/18
10. Next call – 8/25