



## Call for Workshop Session Proposals Umoja Conference XIV | November 9 - 10, 2018

**Theme: *"I'm no longer accepting the things I cannot change...I'm changing the things I cannot accept."***  
***Angela Davis.***

The Umoja XIV Conference is currently accepting proposals for workshop session presenters.

**Proposal submissions may only be submitted via this link:**  
**<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/UmojaXIVCallForProposals>**

### **Background**

We welcome you to become an integral part of the Umoja XIV Conference. The success of the Umoja Community Education Foundation annual event relies on organizations such as yours to provide the platform for insightful and empowering discussions and collaboration between students, counselors, and educators.

### **Umoja serves:**

- As a leader in providing equity-focused training for faculty and staff across California;
- As a program for under-resourced students to achieve their dreams of higher education attainment; and
- As a partner with other institutions to provide a defined pathway for at-risk students to transfer from community college to four-year institutions

### **Conference Details**

**Date:** November 9 - 10, 2018

**Location:** [Riverside Convention Center](#), Riverside, CA 92501

**Conference Attendees:** 1,200

**Workshop session schedule:** We are accepting proposals in two formats: 60 minute and 75 minute interactive workshops. A minimum of 15 minutes of the session should be reserved for questions from the audience.

**Format:** The presenter can determine the presentation format. We encourage you to choose a presentation that engages and educates the participants.

**Presenter role:** If you plan to use PowerPoint, presenters are required to bring their own laptop. We will provide a screen, projector, podium, podium mic, and wireless microphone.

**Handouts:** In respect to the environment, we are encouraging all presenters to limit handouts only as necessary or provide to the Umoja Office for posting on the Umoja website.

**Fee:** There will be no honorarium or reimbursement for the presentation. The selected presenters will receive a discounted registration rate of \$395. We encourage you to [register now](#). If you are selected as a presenter, we will reimburse you the difference of the full registration.

**Deadline:** Proposals are due no later than Friday, September 21, 2018.

**Notification:** Those submitting proposals will be notified by Monday, October 1, 2018 regarding the status of their proposal.

**Questions:** For questions regarding the proposal submission process, please contact the Umoja Community Office at [info@umojacommunity.org](mailto:info@umojacommunity.org).

### **Proposal Submissions**

All proposals will be evaluated by our program committee based on content, level of engagement of the presenters with students, and relevancy to the workshop strands below. The purpose is to identify presenters with interest, passion and expertise on the selected topic. **Proposal submissions will only be accepted by submitting through this link.**

**You will need the following information to submit a proposal:**

1. Presenter name
2. Company/college affiliation
3. Contact information (email and telephone)
4. Workshop Strands (must align with one of the six conference strands below)
5. Presentation Title (should excite and inspire the audience in under 15 words)
6. Session Description: What will the audience learn? How will they be transformed? (maximum 150 words)
7. List 2 - 3 key learning objectives
8. Additional panelists name and company/college affiliation
9. Whether you plan to use a PowerPoint presentation

### **Workshop Strands**

This year's conference theme centers around the following quote by Angela Davis: "I'm no longer accepting the things I cannot change...I'm changing the things I cannot accept." The following are the Workshop Strands for this year's conference.

### **Umoja Community Guided Pathways Strategies**

Umoja Community programs across the state are working to both inform and integrate with guided pathways initiatives on their campuses. Umoja has long been an evidence-based example of working with students through integrating instructional and student services from point of entering the college all the way through achieving their educational dreams. These workshops will focus on examples of how Umoja programs are engaging the California Community College Guided Pathways Initiative.

### **Student Leadership**

The Umoja Community integrates leadership training and opportunities for our students. Programs across the state support student leadership groups. These student leaders are doing a broad range of initiatives and activities on their campuses to build community and foster student success. These workshops will focus on how student leaders are developing themselves and the activities and strategies they are using on their campuses.

### **Black Minds Matter**

The teaching and counseling style of Umoja emphasizes empowerment in our students, relevance in our curriculum, and respect for the minds of our students so they experience their own voices as important in

our classrooms and programs. These workshops will focus on pedagogical strategies that transform equity into action.

### **Making the Move to Transfer: The Essentials**

Umoja utilizes comprehensive and well-documented strategies, as well as lessons learned, for moving our students from community college to transfer institutions, including helping our students pay for their education through scholarships. These workshops will focus on making transfer a reality for every community college student.

### **Building Community for Student Success**

Umoja emphasizes community and relationship in all of our settings. Community is a core component of academic success in Umoja programs. These workshops will share how community is created, sustained, and utilized in classrooms and programs.

### **Umoja Community Practices**

The Umoja Community wants to share our own documented and specific expressions of equity as action and cultural democracy within Umoja best practices. These workshop presentations will engage workshop participants in the Umoja Practices: Intentional and Deliberate, Ethic of Love, Manifesting, Intrusive Counseling, The Porch, Live Learning, Language As Power, Tapping African American Intellectual, Spiritual, and Artistic Voices, Awareness of Connectedness to African Diaspora, Community–Building Communal Intelligence, Acceleration, Mentoring, Occupy Study Spaces, Mattering, Umoja as a Powerbase, Encircling Diversity, Gifting, and Everybody’s Business.

### **Umoja Community Health and Wellness Pathways**

The Umoja Community is sponsoring an initiative to help students explore careers in the fields of health and wellness. This initiative will expose students to a wide range of career options and pathways, connecting students to peer and mentor networks, training opportunities, and transfer programs. These workshops will share the scope of opportunities for Umoja staff and students interested in working in health and wellness careers.

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