

CCI Pathways to Success Program 2021-2022
January 10 – 14, 2022

Agenda

Monday, January 10, 2022

- 9:30am Welcome Remarks
Anthony Koliha, Director, Office of Global Educational Programs, Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs, U.S. Department of State
Leeza Fernand, Associate Director, Program Planning & Initiatives, Northern Virginia Community College
- 10:00am Keynote Address
Sylvia Baffour, Motivational Speaker, Published Author and Founder of Baffour Inc.
- 10:45am Break
- 11:00 – 12:00pm Social/Climate Entrepreneurship Workshop
Guest Speakers:
Juliana Garaizar, Head of Houston Incubator & VP of Innovation Greentown Labs – Climate Action at Work
Scott Gale, Executive Director, Halliburton Labs
CCI Participant Panel:
Nikolas Zuniga Cardona, Colombia, Valencia College
Cristian Steven Parra Palaci, Colombia, Houston Community College
Andres Daniel Patino Feliz, Dominican Republic, Houston Community College
- 12:00-2:00pm Lunch Break
- 2:00pm – 4:30pm Crucial Conversations: Concurrent Sessions
Guest Speakers:
Zoltan Hrotko
Odell Mitchell
Maria Moss
Group 1: Houston Community College, Snow College, Valencia College

Group 2: College of DuPage, Fox Valley Technical College, Kirkwood Community College, Sinclair Community College

Group 3: Community College of Baltimore County, Jamestown Community College, Northampton Community College, Northern Virginia Community College

Tuesday, January 11, 2022

- 10:00am – 12:00pm Utilizing Your Strengths and Building Strong Teams: Concurrent Sessions
Facilitators:

Judy Korb, PhD, Facilitator
John Thibodeau, PhD, Facilitator
Scott Geddis, Facilitator

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12:00 Lunch Break

1:00pm – 3:00pm Conflict Resolution & Negotiations: Concurrent Sessions

Lead Speaker:

David J. Smith, published Author and Facilitator

Facilitators:

Jonathon Harris, Facilitator

Sarah Rilling-Hall, Facilitator

Gabriel Herrera, Facilitator

Katy LeDuc, Facilitator

Sarah Bourdon, Facilitator

Logan Varker, Facilitator

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Wednesday, January 12, 2022

11:00am – 12:00pm Telling Your Story

Kara Newhouse, Published Author, award-winning journalist, writer, and educator

12:00pm Lunch Break

2:00pm – 2:30pm NOVA Leadership and U.S. Department of State Remarks:

Dr. Eun-Woo Chang, Vice President and Chief Academic Officer, Northern Virginia Community College

Ethan Rosenzweig, Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for Academic Programs, Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs, U.S. Department of State

2:30pm – 3:30pm Leadership in Action Panel

Moderator:

Kelsi Ward Molowa, Branch Chief, Office of Global Educational Programs

Participant Panel:

Ana Beatriz Mamedes Piffer, Brazil, Community College of Baltimore County

Akhilesh Sharma, India, Northern Virginia Community College

Miguel Angel Monsalve Vallejo, Colombia, Northampton Community College

Edith Christian Gnamba Baffoin, Cote d'Ivoire, Jamestown Community College

3:30pm – 4:00pm Alumni Engagement:

Gomolemo Mohapi, CCI alumnus

Thursday, January 13, 2022

10:00am

Media Literacy Workshop:

Guest Speaker: Allison Myers, Story Center

Professional panel:

Allison Myers, Story Center

Sandy Fries, Assistant Professor & Program Chair, Mass Communication & Journalism

Tony Venezia, Professor/Program Chair, Motion Picture/Television at the College of DuPage

Joseph Goldberg, Professor at College of DuPage

Participant Panel:

Din Hodzic, Bosnia and Herzegovina, College of DuPage

Florent Kuci, Kosovo, College of DuPage

Venera Gashi, Kosovo, College of DuPage

12:00

Lunch Break

1:00 – 2:00pm

CCI Participant Action Plan Presentations: Concurrent Sessions

Group 1: Houston Community College, Snow College, Valencia College

Hady Bah, Cote d'Ivoire, Snow College

Manuel Jose Buitrago Eusse, Colombia, Snow College

Md Asifuzzama, Bangladesh, Valencia Community College

Mahan Abraham Cedric Telegbe, Cote d'Ivoire, Houston Community College

Group 2: College of DuPage, Fox Valley Technical College, Kirkwood Community College, Sinclair Community College

Artina Kabashi, Kosovo, College of DuPage

Mary Yakubu, Ghana, Fox Valley Technical College

Ernest Olless Affi, Cote d'Ivoire, Fox Valley Technical College

Nzuzo Bongisipho Makhunga, South Africa, Sinclair Community College

Christian Javier Cuadrado Barrios, Colombia, Sinclair Community College

Group 3: Community College of Baltimore County, Jamestown Community College, Northampton Community College, Northern Virginia Community College

Judit Hernandez Rosario, Dominican Republic, Jamestown Community College

Dessy Oktavia, Indonesia, Northampton Community College

Michael Dos Santos Neves Brazil, Northern Virginia Community College

Lais Dos Santos Dellani, Brazil, Jamestown Community College

Koketso Tracy Mopane, South Africa, Northern Virginia Community College

2:00 – 3:30pm CCI Participant Action Planning Networking
Sara Mohamed, Assistant Director, Northern Virginia Community College

3:30pm – 4:00pm Closing Remarks
Jennyfer Wong, Senior Program Officer, Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs, U.S. Department of State
Leeza Fernand, Associate Director, Northern Virginia Community College
Sara Mohamed, Assistant Director, Northern Virginia Community College

Friday, January 14, 2022: College-led activities

Guided Reflections: Maximizing the CCI Experience
Steps to Success II Worksheet