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*“Positioning F irst Y ear E xperience Programs and  
Learning Communities for the Future”*

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# Call for Proposals



## ■ *First Year Experience Regional Conference* ■

The California Learning Communities Consortium in partnership with the Sacramento State First Year Experience Programs Committee, the Washington Center, and the CSU Chancellors Office will host a First Year Experience Regional Conference on August 26<sup>th</sup>, 2008 on the Sacramento State Campus from 8 am – 4pm. The theme for the conference is “Partnerships and Practices: Positioning First Year Experience Programs and Learning Communities for the Future.” The call for proposals is now open to presenters to submit presentation abstracts/materials in preparation for the conference. The conference will serve as a vehicle for sharing best practices among first year experience and learning community programs throughout the state at the community college and CSU system-wide levels. Conference presentations should be guided by the session strands noted below and should place a primary emphasis on: the structure of FYE and learning community programs, program assessment efforts pertaining to first year programs and learning community initiatives, developmental courses and remediation efforts in the CSU and community college system, and retention programs beyond the first year of college. Note: Although proposal submissions do not have to touch on all of the sub-topics noted above, session proposals should fall within the scope of the six tracks delineated below:

### **Conference Strands:**

- *FYE, Technology, and the Future*
- *FYE Programs and Peer Mentor Components/Community Engagement*
- *Assessment Practices in FYE and Learning Communities*
- *FYE, Learning Communities, Developmental Education, & Diversity*
- *Innovative Pedagogies for Freshman Seminar & Learning Communities*
- *Practices for Effectiveness: Sharing Models of Student Excellence & Retention*

Presenters are encouraged to rely on various presentation formats to include the following: roundtable discussions, panels, lectures, video presentations, poster sessions, and any other relevant modes of presentation. Session presentations should be geared to administrators, faculty, staff, and student para-professionals. All proposal submissions should be sent electronically to [watsonml@csus.edu](mailto:watsonml@csus.edu) using the attached form and guidelines and are due June 16th. Specific questions should be directed to (916) 278-2804.