



October 1, 2011 – Grinnell College, Rosenfield Center

WORKSHOP PROPOSAL FORM INSTRUCTIONS

APPLICATION DUE FRIDAY September 16, 2011

Those wishing to present a workshop for the 5th Annual Leadership Summit should read these instructions before filling out a workshop proposal application.

Mission:

The mission of the Leadership Summit is to explore how our visible and invisible identities shape our lives and how we can use these experiences to further our leadership abilities, celebrate the diversity and culture of the lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and allied (LGBTQA) communities; collaborate across the spectrum of our identities and experiences; provide a safe forum to discuss challenges, issues and ideas facing LGBTQA students today; and empower students to build not only successful student organizations, but healthy and productive lives.

Conference Registration and Fees:

Workshop presenters are required to register for the conference. It is highly recommended that all workshop applicants register for the conference as soon as possible. The 5th Annual Leadership Summit is free for all participants.

Accommodations and Travel Expenses:

Workshop presenters are responsible for their own accommodation and travel expenses.

Deadlines:

The final deadline for all applications is September 16th. Workshop applicants must be registered for the conference by this date in order for their proposals to be considered.

If the number of conference proposals exceeds conference capacity, selection will be based in part on the criterion of diversity related to the topic area of focus listed further below.

Notifications:

Those who turn in their applications by September 16th will be notified of their application status by September 24.

Length:

Submitted proposals should be 60 minutes in total length.



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Recommendations:

It is recommended that presentations include an interactive component with the audience and that handouts are readily available to all workshop participants.

Topic Areas of Focus:

It is requested that workshop proposals fit into one of more of the following categories related to visibility & invisibility:

- **Homelessness**
Issues facing homeless and at-risk LGBTQ people
- **Political efficacy & “coming out” as LGBTQ or ally in politics**
Issues facing LGBTQ and ally politicians, and the decisions they make about their own visibility
- **“Passing” & invisible identities**
Issues facing LGBTQ people whose identities are often invisible (e.g. bisexual, pansexual, transgender, non-binary, etc.)
- **Underrepresented groups within the LGBTQ community**
Issues facing LGBTQ people of color, with disabilities, of certain economic situations, of certain religions, and of certain ages, who are often invisible in queer spaces, public perceptions, and media representations
- **Gaps in protective legislation**
Is there nondiscrimination or anti-hate crime legislation in Iowa or elsewhere that fails to protect people with less-visible identities? Why? How can this be changed?
- **Stereotypes & misconceptions**
How they affect and are affected by visibility efforts
- **Assault, violence, & abuse**
Issues surrounding (often-unreported or underreported) sexual assault, intimate partner abuse, and other acts of violence toward LGBTQ people
- **Balancing visibility & privacy**
In personal lives, the workplace, and advocacy efforts
- **Best practices for sustaining GSA and college LGBT groups**
- **Other (Please Explain):**



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Basic Information:

Presentation Title:

Focus Track Areas (check all that apply):

- Homelessness
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- “Passing” & invisible identities
- Underrepresented groups within the LGBTQ community
- Gaps in protective legislation
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- Assault, violence, & abuse
- Balancing visibility & privacy
- Best practices for sustaining GSA and college LGBT groups
- Other

Would you be willing to join another session on your topic if the number of workshop proposals exceeds conference capacity?

- Yes
- No

Equipment Needs (check all that apply):

- Overhead Projector
- LCD Projector
- Television/VCR/DVD Player
- Film Projector
- Other (please list): _____

Special Needs (i.e. moveable chairs, tables, etc.):



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Program Abstract:

Please type and attach a program abstract (500 words or less) that describes the in-depth goals and topics that will be covered in this proposed workshop. This information will be used for selection purposes and will not be published in the conference program.

Program Description:

Please type and attach a program description (60 words or less) that will be used to describe this workshop in the conference program guide.

Presenter Information:

Please type and attach a short biography (60 words or less) of each presenter. If there are more than two presenters, please type and attach additional presenter information to this form, as well.

PRESENTER #1:

Name: _____
Phone: _____
Email Address: _____

PRESENTER #2:

Name: _____
Phone: _____
Email Address: _____

Mailing Address:

If not submitting online, please mail all applications to the following address:

**IOWA PRIDE NETWORK
777 Third St. Suite # 312
DES MOINES, IOWA 50309**

Applications may also be submitted via email to: iowapridenetwork@gmail.com