15th Annual CSU-WATER Conference

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Welcome!

Acknowledgements
• SCCWRP
• Staff
• Everyone here
• Supporting Structures
Internal Working Group

Implementing the new goals and directions for CSU-WATER has and will greatly benefit from feedback of faculty leaders in the CSU during this interim period. Working group members continue to provide advice and opinions on how to best engage CSU students, faculty, administrators, and institutes on collaborations that mutually support our CSU-WATER goals.
Campus Representatives

CSU-WATER Campus Representatives have been established to foster bilateral communication of CSU-WATER relevant information, opportunities, and goals to and from their campus community. A first order of business will be updating the ‘Campus Expert’ list that can be shared throughout the CSU as well as with external partners and stakeholders.
Why this event & evolution from standard format(s)?
Strategic Plan Goals:

- Goal 1: CSU System Engagement
- Goal 2: Building External Partnerships
- Goal 3: Collaborative Integration

*Check all three Strategic Plan Goals in one live event*

Opportunities/Barriers/Solutions
Survey Results 2023 Conference

Q2: Future Conference Length
- 1 day: 17%
- 2 days: 37%
- 1.5 days: 46%

Q3: Would you be interested in alternative conference presentation formats?
- Focus on student and community inclusion in research: 34%
- Focus on lab research and approaches (to foster collaborations): 25%
- Research and networking strategies: 34%
- Other: 7%
- No: 5%

50% Abstract Acceptance Rate
Q4: Should we include attendees from external partners, agencies, government, industry, etc.?

- Yes: 44%
- No: 15%
- Perhaps: 33%
- Other: 8%

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Q5: Did you feel like there was enough time to network?

- No: 43%
- Yes: 57%
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AG  Climate  Communities  Economics  Energy  Fire & WQ  Social

‘Actionable Research’

Opportunities/Barriers/Solutions

Example: Discussion about Water Job Ads
Research / Training / Workforce development / Community engagement

a. Workforce gaps (20% vacancy rate)
b. ACWA Foundation
   i. Goals
   ii. Scholarships / Awardees

   Announcing ACWA Foundation Next Generation Scholarships
   $10,000 recipients
   Marlene Ortega
   CSU Monterey Bay
   Luis Huerta
   CSU Humboldt
   Ireland McCall
   CSU Fresno
   Zahra Beatty
   CSU San making

   Announcing ACWA Foundation Next Generation Scholarships
   $2,500 recipients
   Finn Schmelzer
   Sacramento State
   Arely Ibarra
   CSU San Marcos
   Nicole Nielsen
   UC Irvine
   Simon Marangus
   San Jose State

c. CSU System-wide water workforce development (D. Newell, C.O.)
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-Opportunities/Barriers/Solutions

-Examine what works (e.g. CSUS OWP/SCCWRP) & needs to be done more broadly
Scan to view the Conference agenda, program, and other materials