

**TO:** All CUNY Faculty & Staff

**FROM:** University Human Resources, Professional Development & Learning Office

**DATE:** August 4, 2025

**SUBJECT:** Call for Proposals: 2025 CUNY Professional Development Conference

Dear Colleagues,

We are excited to invite session proposals for the upcoming 2025 CUNY Professional Development Conference, taking place virtually on **November 12th and 13<sup>th</sup>**. This year's theme, **The Human Renaissance: Reimagining Leadership and Innovation in Higher Ed**, focuses on how we can collectively reimagine the future of work by placing people, purpose, and progress at the center of higher education.

The conference will feature sessions across five dynamic tracks. We encourage you to submit a proposal that aligns with one of the following focus areas:

**Conference Tracks:**

- **Leadership Development Track:**  
*Vision, Voice, and Values: Redefining Leadership in Higher Ed*
- **Talent & Performance Track:**  
*Rethinking Talent: Building Agile and Future-Ready Terms*
- **Cultural Competence Track:**  
*The Power Perspective: Cultivating Cultural Fluency*
- **Technology Track**  
*Human-Tech Synergy: Leveraging Digital Tools for Engagement and Efficiency*
- **Employee Wellness and Well-Being Track**  
*Mindfulness, Meaning, and Motivation: Tools for Sustainable Success*

**Session Details:**

- **Format:** Virtual (via Zoom)
- **Length:** 60 minutes
- **Audience:** All CUNY employees
- **Submission Deadline:** Friday, August 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2025

Presenters should be comfortable facilitating engaging and interactive Zoom sessions. We welcome a variety of formats, including presentations, panels, case studies, and skill-building workshops that encourage reflection, participation, and application.

Whether you're a faculty member, administrator, or professional staff, your experiences and insights can help foster meaningful development across university.

Proposal submissions can be submitted here: <https://forms.cloud.microsoft/r/h2pHHUC05S>.

*Please note that to complete the proposal form, you will need to log in with your Office365 username and password (i.e. username: [Jane.Doe20@login.cuny.edu](mailto:Jane.Doe20@login.cuny.edu), password: your CUNYfirst password).*

**Session Selection Criteria:**

The Professional Development & Learning Office will review all proposals in detail to determine which will be selected for the conference. Acceptances will be announced by the week of September 9th.

Please email [University.Training@cuny.edu](mailto:University.Training@cuny.edu) with any questions or concerns. Thank you for your participation.