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NCCI's 9th Annual Conference: Leveraging Excellence

Chicago, Illinois
July 10-12, 2008

Universities worldwide are responding to increasing expectations and constrained resources, which means that examples of excellence in higher education are all around us. How can you learn about those innovations and leverage them for increased excellence on your campus? One great way is to attend the NCCI annual conference devoted to Leveraging Excellence!

Some conference program highlights include:

- Pre-Conference Workshops
- Great sessions
- Resource Fair featuring poster sessions by NCCI colleagues and opportunities to connect with selected vendors
- Many opportunities to network with your colleagues from around the country and the world
- Plus a very special opportunity to meet the recipients of the inaugural NCCI Leveraging Excellence Award

Register Now!

NCCI Leveraging Excellence Awards Presented

A collaboration of a dozen universities originally brought together to play football have turned their collaborations to saving millions on fiber networks, purchasing, and over 100 shared courses and programs. Capital assets in dozens of universities and affiliated churches across the nation are being managed in an integrated way designed by a campus in Provo, Utah.

These are just two of six stories awarded for "Leveraging Excellence" by NCCI at ACE's Annual Meeting in San Diego on

Calendar of Events

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Chicago Mart Plaza
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Leveraging Excellence Awards: Winners and Honorable Mentions

Winners:

"Strategic Collaboration"

Committee on Institutional
Cooperation (CIC)
Barbara MacFadden Allen
www.cic.net

"Capital Needs Analysis"

Brigham Young University
Douglas Christensen
[*Capital Needs Analysis*](#)

Honorable Mentions:

"Leveraging Research through International Networks"

Worldwide Universities Network
David Pillsbury
www.wun.ac.uk

"Five College Joint Appointments"

Five College, Incorporated
Lorna Peterson
[*Five Colleges Joint
Appointments*](#)

"Academic Audit"

Tennessee Board of Regents
Paula Short
[*Academic Audit*](#)

"Building a Culture of Evidence to Improve Learning"

Indiana University-Purdue
University Indianapolis
Trudy Banta
www.planning.iupui.edu

February 10, 2008. All six stories will be featured speakers at NCCI's Annual Conference July 10-12, 2008 in Chicago.

Lee Todd, President of the University of Kentucky and chair of NCCI's Leveraging Excellence Award judging panel, presented the awards in a ceremony opening the Pre-Conference Workshop.

Click [here](#) to read more...

Click [here](#) to view the Awards Ceremony. -

NCCI Presents *Taking Charge of Change*

Leaders of higher education institutions from California to the UK presented their approaches for "Taking Charge of Change" at ACE's Annual Meeting in San Diego in February.

Building on ACE's theme of "Taking Charge of Our Future," NCCI cosponsored a Pre-Conference Workshop and a concurrent session with a range of examples of transformational change.

The Pre-Conference Workshop, attended by 75, focused on "Approaches for Implementing Broad-based Institutional Change."

Click [here](#) to read more...

Click [here](#) to view photographs of the Winners and Honorable Mentions.

NCCI's Mentoring Program

The NCCI Mentoring Program pairs incoming NCCI members with an experienced member of the NCCI Board of Directors. The yearlong commitment is designed to help new members acclimate to NCCI in an effort to increase their engagement within the organization and to maximize their membership benefits. The Mentoring Program gives new members opportunities to have a successful first year through networking, programmatic, and social activities.

There have been three successful matches to date.

Contact Dr. Erinn D. Lake, the coordinator of the NCCI Mentoring Program, at lakee@edinboro.edu for more information.

Click [here](#) for more information and application.