Learning Community Cluster 6

It is with profound respect that we look back at our past achievements, embrace our present opportunities, and take steps forward into the future.

LCC6: Empowering Institutions — DEIJA

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Howdy!

Greetings and welcome to the 1st edition of the bimonthly LCC6 Newsletter! As an intermediate to the larger repository of DEIJA resources and tools, the newsletter will provide quick access to pressing HHMI and LCC6 information. The newsletter is also an informal, communication tool we can share with our institutions to keep them up-to-speed of our collaborative efforts.

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🔥 HHMI Timeline

As we near the end of the first year of the Inclusive Excellence 3 (IE3) grant, we have several pending submissions and concerns. We received questions regarding the Annual Financial Report, concerns about "closing out" year one Learning Grant, and dates for the 2024 HHMI IE3 "In-person" meeting.

Year 1, for activities conducted November 1, 2022 – August 31, 2023: report due November 1, 2023

Year 2, for activities conducted September 1, 2023 – August 31, 2024: report due November 1, 2024

Do you have unspent funds on the Learning Grant?
- No need to request an extension.
- You will be able to spend beyond November 1st, if you have a good reason to do so.
- If you intend to spend down the unspent balance, be prepared to provide the amount that remains and a description for the planned use of the funds. You will be prompted in the Pathway form to enter the aforementioned information.

What are the dates for the next in-person HHMI gathering?
June 21 - 24, 2024

LCC6 Newsletter Quick Links

September 2023

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
27	28	29	30	31	1 Grant Year 2 Start	2
3	4	5 Project 1 Leads Meeting @12pm EDT	6	7 **Coordinating Committee Meeting @12pm EDT** **Project 1 Meeting** Data Analysis II:Teacher Scholar @12pm EDT	8 Project 2 Leads Meeting @10am EDT	9
10	11 LCC6 Newsletter: 1st Edition	12 Project 1 Leads Meeting @12pm EDT	13	14 LCC6 Wide Meeting @12pm EDT	15	16
17	18	19 Project 1 Leads Meeting @12pm EDT	20	21 **Coordinating Committee Meeting @12pm EDT** **Project 1 Meeting** Teacher- Scholar @4pm EDT	22 Project 2 Leads Meeting @10am EDT	23
24	25	26 Project 1 Leads Meeting @12pm EDT	27	28 Coordinating Committee Meeting @12pm EDT	29	30
1	2	*Notes*	**As of 09/07/23 per HHMI Update Email** **Early September** Learning Grant Final Narrative Reflection form opens in Pathway IE3LC Learning Grant Final Financial Report form opens in Pathway **Mid-September** IE3 Six-Year Grant – Year 1 Financial Report form opens in Pathway		IE3LC

October 2023

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1	2	3 Project 1 Leads Meeting @ 12pm EDT	4	5 **Coordinating Committee Meeting @ 12pm EDT** **Project 1 Meeting** Brainstorming & Data Collection @ 12pm EDT	6 Last day to identify the 0624 Team LCC Representative	7
8	9 LCC6 Newsletter: 2nd Edition	10 **Project 1 Leads Meeting @ 12pm EDT CoCreative Workshop** | Facilitating Collaborative Innovation (*open to public*) @ 2-5:30 pm EDT	11	12 Coordinating Committee Meeting @ 12pm EDT	13 Project 2 Leads Meeting @ 10am EDT	14
15	16	17 **Project 1 Leads Meeting @ 12pm EDT CoCreative Workshop** | Facilitating Collaborative Innovation (*open to public*) @ 2-5:30 pm EDT	18	19 HHMI ARC Series Speaker: Dr. Mays Imad – Connecticut College @ 10:30am EDT **Coordinating Committee Meeting** @ 12pm EDT	20	21
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5	6	*Notes*				

Reflections

June 23 - 26, 2023 HHMI hosted the 0623 meeting, where 2 members from each Learning Community Clusters 1 - 7 met face-to-face in Jenalia Research Center in Virginia.

Key highlights from the 0623 meeting:

- We discussed significant updates, needs, and achievements within our individual and collective LCCs 1-7.
- Each LCC had an opportunity to meet their cluster peers (many for the first time) as well as interact with colleagues from other LCCs.
- We identified our collective needs and developed subcommittees to achieve our goals.

Use the "Quick Links" above to access the subcommittee sign-up sheet.

LCC6 Highlights

- We have 87% participation with Institutional Reflections, thus highlighting the active engagement of our LCC members and the reflecting on their institutional experiences.

- On August 30th, we submitted the Annual Reflection Report to HHMI. The final report incorporates summarized perspectives from projects and the Learning Community Cluster as a whole.

Save a copy of the final copy by clicking the link.

You can check out the video reflection here

Debunking the Myths

LCC6 terminology and the individual project goals have become a recurring source of confusion for many of our members. We invite you to review this section and follow up if you have any questions, concerns, or feedback.

Project 1

Project 1 describes an adaptable and iterative process that individual institutions can use to develop a mission-driven and formative assessment methodology that uses multiple measures of quality teaching and is explicitly linked to summative faculty incentive structures in order to center and prioritize DEIJA teaching and learning.

Project 2

Project 2 describes a process for institutions and departments to engage in cycles of inquiry to investigate and make meaning of data (qualitative and quantitative), act upon those findings, and evaluate their approach to fostering DEIJA in classrooms and beyond.

Project 3

Project 3: Professional Development Programs for DEIJA Teaching and Learning Project 3 describes a process for institutions and departments to engage in the design, implementation, and assessment of professional development (PD) programs for DEIJA teaching and learning.

Concerns, Questions, or Feedback