

CALL FOR PROPOSALS

Join us for the inaugural **Full STEAM Ahead Educator Symposium**, an exciting new event right here in Shreveport! Hosted by Centenary College of Louisiana's Department of Education and Center for Teaching and Learning, this symposium will provide professional development and networking opportunities. By bringing together educators from across disciplines and grade levels, we aim to showcase innovative teaching strategies, cutting edge research, and inspire new inquiry and ideas.

Kinetic Connections

When two objects collide, they briefly "connect," resulting in the transfer of kinetic energy from one to the other. This exchange reveals a fundamental truth: connections are catalysts for change.

At this year's inaugural symposium, we'll celebrate the power of connection in shaping progress and understanding. Collaborations among scientists yield groundbreaking discoveries, educational networks empower the next generation, and social bonds enrich our lives with shared knowledge, ideas, and inspiration. Ahead of the event, we invite you to consider these questions:

- What draws us together? What do we have in common? What can we accomplish when we work together?
- How do we improve connections across disciplines, specialties, grade levels, districts, and regions?
- How do we build bridges from novices to mentors, schools to communities, pedagogy to practice, and curiosity to process?
- How do we harness the potential of problems and challenges toward developing new strategies and solutions?
- How do we connect students to their interests? How do we connect concepts across disciplines?

Let's discover how we can nurture creativity and foster collaborations that can change our students, our communities, ourselves, and our world.

Who Should Attend?

- K-12 and college/university educators who teach or are interested in STEAM
- Future teachers
- Teacher educators
- Administrators who support teachers
- Community leaders who support teachers
- Professional development providers



Ways to Participate

- **Workshops** (75 minutes) provide an interactive and immersive learning experience. Attendees actively participate and engage in hands-on activities, guided by facilitators. Joint proposals welcome.
- Make-and-Take (75 minutes) sessions offer participants the opportunity to engage in creative learning activities. Attendees not only experience these activities but also leave with all the necessary materials and information to replicate them in their own classrooms or work environments.
- Individual presentations (20 minutes) provide a platform for researchers, experts, or thought leaders to share their knowledge, insights, and findings with a wider audience. Individual presentations may be grouped by topic on the conference schedule.
- **Panel discussions** (75 minutes) assemble multiple presenters to engage in a dynamic conversation centered around a specific topic or theme.
- **Poster presentations** are visual displays of research, projects, or ideas. Presenters submit a description of their work in advance and bring a poster to the conference for display.

Submit a Proposal

- 500 word limit Panel discussions proposals
- 250 word limit Workshop/Make-and-Take/Individual/Poster session proposals





Proposal Deadline - December 10, 2023 Invitations to Presenters - January 5, 2023 Submit your proposals at centenary.edu/fullsteamahead