



## **MEDIA ADVISORY**

### **POST UNIVERSITY ISSUES CALL FOR PROPOSALS FOR 2012 ONLINE LEARNING CONFERENCE Second Annual "Shaping the Future" Conference Slated for April 20, 2012 in Waterbury, CT**

#### **WHAT:**

Post University, Connecticut's largest provider of online degree programs, has issued a Call for Proposals for its Online Learning Conference "Shaping the Future," to be held April 20, 2012 at the Mattatuck Museum in Waterbury, Connecticut.

Now in its second year, the conference provides an opportunity for higher education faculty and staff to share the best of online learning advancements, research, and strategies. The one-day event will include an opening plenary session, keynote address, three hour long concurrent breakout sessions, and a closing address.

This year's Call for Proposals seeks submissions for sessions focusing on the theme "Driving Innovation in Online Education." Each session should include 45 minutes of content and 15 minutes of discussion. Proposals must contain a brief overview of the planned presentation including:

- Title of presentation
- Presentation abstract (no more than 50 words) for conference program
- 1 page summary/overview of presentation and description of goals
- Brief explanation of how presentation fits with conference theme
- Means of audience engagement
- Description of any handouts/materials audience will receive
- Technology needs of presentation
- Room set-up needs (wireless internet and A/V hook ups available)
- Complete name, title, organization, address, phone number, and email address for each presenter

Submissions should fall into one of the following categories, however compelling ideas that are outside of these topical areas will be considered:

- Future of Online Learning
- Innovations in Online Learning
- Cutting Edge Tech in the Online Classroom
- mLearning (Mobile Learning)
- Governance and Trustee Roles in Future of Online Higher Education
- Alternative Models in Online Education
- Impact of Online Education on Traditional Education Environments
- Personal Learning Environments

- vLearning (Virtual Learning) and Simulations
- Sharing Expertise Across Institutions

**WHEN/WHERE:**

Email Proposals by February 15, 2012 to: [jbailey@post.edu](mailto:jbailey@post.edu), Online Learning Conference Committee/Post University, Lower Level / Traurig Library, 800 Country Club Rd., Waterbury, CT 06708.

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