

NEOA 2010 Annual Conference Request for Proposals

New England Educational Opportunity Association 34th [Annual Conference](#)
Cape Codder Resort & Spa, Tuesday, April 6 – Friday, April 9, 2009



“THE STRENGTH OF EDUCATIONAL HOPE”

Invitation

NEOA invites session proposals for its annual conference. The mission of NEOA is to advocate for access to and success in postsecondary education for low income individuals, first generation college students and college students with disabilities and to develop the skills and knowledge of educational opportunity professionals working with this population. We are comprised of several programs including Student Support Services, Talent Search, Upward Bound, Upward Bound Math/Science Centers, McNair Graduate Opportunity Program, and Gear UP. Please consider sharing your ideas and expertise with educational opportunity professionals by submitting a proposal.

Theme

As TRiO professionals, we know the hope education can offer our student population. Resources and opportunities for our students are ever decreasing as unemployment rates are at a high and funding sources are scarce. Our advocacy and persistence in student success is a key to the academic achievement of our student participants. As a potential workshop presenter, you will have the opportunity to offer your experience to other TRiO professionals as a source of inspiration, best practice, and a supplement to their existing toolkit.

Submitting a Proposal

1. Consider your topic, its significance, and what you want your audience to take away from your session.
2. Consider your session format, target audience, and a/v needs.
3. Complete the conference proposal form.
4. Submit the form on line at www.neoaonline.org, email Rebecca Sonn at (R_Sonn@mwcc.mass.edu) or fax her at 978-630-9400.

NEOA Workshop Submission Deadline: Monday, November 30, 2009

NEOA 2010 Annual Conference Proposal Cover Sheet

Session Title _____

Session Abstract (50 words or less, for inclusion in the conference booklet)

Session Description (explanation of your session, objectives, content, scope, connection to this year's theme, and what you expect participants to learn from the session)

Proposed Format: (check all that apply; all formats are 75 minutes long except strands = 130 minutes)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Panel | <input type="checkbox"/> Presentation | <input type="checkbox"/> Workshop |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Roundtable | <input type="checkbox"/> Strand | <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____ |

Target Audience by program: (check all that apply)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Educational Talent Search | <input type="checkbox"/> Gear Up | <input type="checkbox"/> McNair |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Gateway to College | <input type="checkbox"/> Upward Bound | <input type="checkbox"/> Educational Opportunity Centers |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Student Support Services | | |

Target Audience by position (check all that apply) Director Direct Student contact Data/Technology

Maximum number of participants _____

Please describe any technical/setup needs: _____

What days will you be available to present your workshop?

- Wednesday, April 7 Thursday, April 8 Friday, April 9

Coordinating Presenter Name _____
Institution: _____
Position & Program _____
Phone: _____ Email address: _____
Bio (2-3 sentences): _____

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Criteria for Selection & Expectations of Presenters

Thank you for submitting your proposal. Proposals will be evaluated on the basis of clarity, interest and significance to intended audience, and relevance to the conference theme. The Selection Committee seeks a balance in the range of topics, intended audience, and interests covered. Notifications of acceptances will be sent in early January. Presenters are expected to register and pay the regular conference fee. NEOA is unable to reimburse program presenters for expenses.
