## **Workshop Abstracts**

**Innovations in Educational Technology** - Learn about the latest affordable technology tools and interactive web sites. Explore strategies for using these tools to enhance learning in your classrooms as well as make your work and personal life easier. See a fast-paced review of the latest technology, and get a chance to try some of the new gadgets hands-on as time permits. *Mitchell Jorgensen, Room C 121* 

**Prosperity 2020** is the largest business-led movement ever assembled in Utah to advance educational investment and innovation. The vision of Prosperity 2020 is for the state's educated and trained workforce to propel Utah to enduring prosperity, improved quality of life and the strongest economy in the nation. Prosperity 2020's coordinator will share the movement's goals and vision. *Jana Scott, Aud. D* 

**Basic Training and Resources for TESOL Volunteers** - Explore an innovative online program that helps untrained, volunteer English language teachers become more effective, professional, and successful. Discuss the need for such training as well as the program's intended audience, and the program's underlying approach to teacher preparation. Sample units are shared. *Lynn Henrichsen, Aud. B* 

Why Can't we All Just Get Along? Conflict Management 101 - Most people avoid conflict because they don't know how to handle it. Conflict resolution is a skill which can be learned. In this engaging and interactive presentation, learn how your actions can bring a positive outcome to the conflict in your personal and professional lives. Kevin Cummings, Aud. C

Introduction to the Canvas Learning Management System - Many tools of Canvas, the course management system adopted by higher education and many school districts, are demonstrated including how easy it is to create online discussion boards, use the assignment tool to receive and evaluate student work, easily create audio, video messages and more. *Mitchell Jorgensen, Room C 121* 

**Utah Women in STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math)** - Utah businesses need more women in the science, technology, engineering, and math professions to maintain a strong economy. Learn the facts about Utah women in STEM fields as well as explore the reasons why women don't pursue what are often called "nontraditional" jobs and why they should do so. *Cheryl Hanewicz, Aud. D* 

Helping Adult Learners Build Confidence in Math - Focus on strategies for adults to learn and use mathematics as a tool in their lives. Review the UCS-M Practice Standards as well as the ELA Standards, using visual and pictorial models, and questioning strategies as a means of helping students become more self-reliant in mathematics. *Maggie Cummings, Aud. B* 

**Blended Learning** - It's time to ensure that the way students learn with technology agrees with how they live with technology. We discuss the benefits of blended learning and demonstrate the use of an online course component working in tandem in a traditional classroom. Discover the advantages for students and teacher alike. Pearson's online MyEnglishLabs is illustrated. *Jonathan Boggs, Aud. C* 

I Couldn't Fix the Brakes, so I Made the Horn Louder - Many of us go through life avoiding the "real issues." Discover ten keys to successful approach to life with practical ideas and activities to "fix your brakes." Find ways to balance your life and find pleasure and enjoyment along the road of life. Receive useful ideas and actions to change your perspective to give meaning and direction to your life. Your "vehicle" will run better after applying these principles. *Troy Christensen, Aud. D* 

Hands On Banking - Want to help adults take charge of their finances and reach their goals? The Hands On Banking program offers the basic money tools, skills, and information adults can use to open a bank account or start a business. This free, non-commercial program teaches people in all stages of life about the basics of responsible money management and aligns with state and national education standards. *Jared Gleue, Aud. B* 

Integrating Higher Education Pathways in Adult Education Programs - Discuss data gathered from Salt Lake Community College, Horizonte Instruction and Training Center's College Access Pipeline Program to share best practices when preparing adult students for college access and achievement. Learn about intrusive models of advising and adult student college needs and resources as well as the organizational culture necessary to best assist adult learners gain a college education. *Jill Kemerer, Richard Diaz, Aud. C* 

**Connecting with Social Media** - Social media can be a powerful tool to connect the community and specific audiences to the work you are engaged in. Discuss and understand the impact of social media on your programs and organizations. Explore basic strategies on how to utilize this free resource to effectively advocate your successes and market your program. *Ben Horseley, Room C121* 

Classroom Activities for Earth Systems Science - Part 1 and Part 2 - Join us for classroom activities designed to build your knowledge of the Earth Systems Science Core Curriculum. Activities are designed to help you understand the scientific evidence that supports theories that explain how the universe and solar system developed. Additional activities focus on non-astronomy aspects of the core. Receive materials to implement these activities in their classrooms. This is a two part session. *Robert Bigelow, Duke Johnson, Aud. D* 

**Empowering Adults to Read** - Reading is essential to a successful life; it is often a significant barrier to our students. Discover different teaching options for integrating reading creatively, effectively, and economically into ESOL, high school, college prep, or GED programs. Review graphic organizers, handouts and information about texts and magazines that can make the difference in empowering students. *Darece Sperry, Jamie Paskins, Erin Clark, Aud. B* 

**Utah Women and Education: Findings and Next Steps!** — Review key findings conducted by Utah Women and Education Project researchers. Many of the influences found to shape and impact decisions young female Utahans make about college attendance are discussed as well as highlights many of the critical findings of this research. Recommendations on what we can do to help are also given ending with a discussion of the next steps for Utah. *Susan Thackeray, Victoria Thomas, Aud. C* 

**Utah Futures -** Utah Futures is this state's career information system for students and job seekers. This online system features career planning tools, labor market information, job search skills, education and

training options and direct links to Utah employers and employment opportunities. Learn how to create a profile and how to get the most out of Utah Futures. *Kristi Orchard-Becknell, Room C121* 

**Pickle Ball** - Teach children and families to have a brand new experience in recreation and fun! Unlike many traditional sports, Pickle Ball is the fastest growing sport in the United States. In Pickle Ball, hit on the average 200 to 300 shots in any given sixty minute class after only five to ten minutes of learning the basics. Pickle Ball is a sport for all ages and abilities. Come out and play! *Tim Finger, outside or multipurpose center, depending on weather*