

UCCI Conference: Breakout Session Descriptions

Morning Breakout Sessions

Partnering with UCCI for a Successful UCCI Institute

Learn what you need to know to plan a UCCI Institute—from people who’ve done it themselves. Find out how much the Institute cost; how much work was involved; what the total time commitment was; how each panelist went about the recruiting process to get teachers on board; and more!

Moderator: Sarah Fidelibus, UCCI Program Manager

Panelists:

- **Dane White**, Agriculture Teacher, Galt High School
- **Jean McGlaughlin-Blatter**, Articulation and Extended Learning Coordinator, LAUSD Linked Learning
- **Jillian Johnshon-Sharpe**, Coordinator, Curriculum & Instruction, Orange County Department of Education, and **Brian Donnelley**, Executive Director, Orange County Career Pathways Partnership, OC DOE

Implementing *Examining World History Through Media & Design Arts*

Three teachers from one.Lodi will discuss their process developing three “UCCI-style” courses integrating history with media and design arts. They will share successes and challenges implementing the course, “Shaping the Modern World – Examining World History Through Media & Design Arts,” as well as samples of student work and what impact the course has had on student engagement.

Panelists:

- **Darrell Wildt**, Social Studies Teacher & Curriculum Writer/Mentor, San Joaquin County Office of Education – County Operate Schools and Programs
- **Jeremy Love**, Social Studies Teacher & Curriculum Writer/Mentor, SJCOE – County Operate Schools and Programs
- **Jason Edwards**, Art, Media, and Design Teacher, SJCOE – County Operate Schools and Programs

Structured Roundtable: *Shaping UCCI Resources to Meet District/Teacher Needs*

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Facilitators:

- **Katie Leslie**, UCCI Course Development Coordinator
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- **Andre Hargunani**, Principal, Critical Design and Gaming Academy at Augustus F. Hawkins High School in Los Angeles
- **Donna Mandosa**, Technology Coordinator, Palisades Charter High School

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Afternoon Breakout Sessions

Implementing Health Science-integrated UCCI Courses at Arthur A. Benjamin Health Professions High School

Educators from Arthur A. Benjamin Health Professions High School in Sacramento will discuss the “many successes and minimal challenges” they have encountered developing and implementing the UCCI courses *Applied Medical English* and *Public Health: Reading and writing your way to a healthier world*. Panelists will discuss how the courses have affected student engagement and led to greater pass rates for students. They will also address how these integrated courses have affected teacher workloads.

Panelists:

- Marla Johnson, Principal, Arthur A. Benjamin Health Professions High
- Deborah Meltvedt, Work Based Learning Coordinator and Medical Science Teacher, Arthur A. Benjamin Health Professions High
- Marsha Stanley, English Teacher, Arthur A. Benjamin Health Professions High

UCCI Courses Ignite Academy Growth

Presenters from Antelope Valley USD will discuss how UCCI courses fit with their AB 790 Linked Learning pilot and Career Pathways Trust work, how they have fit the UCCI courses *Green Up and Go! Clean Energy-neering* and *Biological Links to Energy and Environment* into cohesive Programs of Study, what support they offered teachers in preparation for offering the courses, how they paid for it, and how Local Control Accountability Plan has helped further their efforts. They will also discuss their plans for incorporating four more UCCI courses for the 2015/16 school year: *Language Takes the Stage; Literacy, Advocacy and Public Service; Integrated Marketing and English; and Journey for Justice in America*.

Presenters:

- **Joyce Foss**, English Teacher/Coach, AVUSD
- **Betsy McKinstry**, Director, Career Technical Education, AVUSD

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