

2021 Asilomar Leadership Skills Seminar: Level Two

Virtual Professional Development for Experienced Asilomar Alums

February 16 – 19

About the Seminar

The Asilomar Leadership Skills Seminar began in 1984 and was created by leaders in the American Association of Women in Community Colleges and the Yosemite Community College District. Since 2004 the Community College League of California has sponsored the seminar and provided administrative support.

The Seminar is an intensive four-day experience that focuses on the issues facing women who have made a commitment to community college administration, either in their current position or as a future goal.

Its purpose is to provide information, strategies, contacts, and opportunities for personal and professional growth. The expected outcome is that participants will be able to acquire and successfully accept expanded leadership responsibilities within their own or other California community colleges.

Seminar Topics

All presentations and discussions cover key leadership issues and skills, and will include:

- Leadership in Times of Crisis
- Diversity, Equity and Inclusion
- Legislative and Financial Expertise
- Collaboration and Governance
- Strengthening One's Leadership Skills
- Personal and Professional Life Planning



Who Should Attend

For the past 36 years the annual Asilomar Leadership Skills Seminar has provided an exemplary professional development opportunity for approximately 2,500 diverse women from California's community colleges. Led by outstanding California women presidents and chancellors, each class participated in an intensive four-day program focusing on content, skills, and practical applications for being a successful leader in our colleges at that time. Many graduates went on to accept leadership roles and/or career positions of increasing responsibility including coordinators, directors, deans, vice presidents, presidents, and chancellors.

The 2021 ALSS: Level Two is open only to ALSS alums from past years. Class size is limited and will be filled on a first-come-first-served basis by qualified registrants. The program will continue to focus on the unique leadership challenges, opportunities, and value-added women leaders. However, an additional emphasis will be on the advanced skills needed for the especially challenging times of 2021. The curriculum will build on the concepts and skills developed in the introductory seminar. Additionally, each participant will have the opportunity for an individualized assessment of their career plan and their resume.

"Asílomar was a true eye-opener. I am empowered and motivated to move forward in my career...thank you so much!"

"I wish I could start my position over again with this perspective and knowledge!"

"It was wonderful to hear women being so open about their experiences."

Zoom

The Seminar will be hosted via Zoom. A meeting link will be provided to attendees one week prior to the start of the program. You will need to update your Zoom account to the latest version. Breakout rooms and other new features that will be used during the conference will only work on the latest Zoom account version. Visit

https://zoom.us/download for more information.

Schedule

The Seminar will be held on February 16-19, 2021. Highly interactive virtual webinars will be conducted from 8:00 am – 12:30 pm on Tuesday through Friday. Small groups will have activities among themselves from 1:00-pm – 3:00 pm on Tuesday through Thursday. Select reading and personal inventories will be assigned and completed before the start of the Seminar. Critiques of participants' current resumes will be provided.

Presenters

Dr. Pamila Fisher, founder and director of the Seminar since its beginning, will serve as Seminar Director, assisted by community college chief executives and other leaders.

Dr. Fisher is a consultant for the Association of Community College Trustees and has conducted more than 50 presidential searches and more than 100 retreats for community college governing boards across the country.

Registration and Fees

Registration Process: Registrants are accepted on a first come / first served basis. Your online registration form should include the following:

- ~ **Letter of interest** describing your career goals addressing these criteria
- ~ Current resume using provided template
- ~ Headshot Photo
- ~ Personal Profile Form

Seminar Fee: \$400

Full payment must be made by credit card at the time your registration is submitted. In the event your registration is declined, full payment will be refunded.

Cancellations must be made in writing and will incur a \$50 cancellation fee. No refunds will be given for cancellations made after Friday, January 29, 2021.

DEADLINE TO REGISTER: JANUARY 29, 2021

REGISTER ONLINE: http://www.ccleague.org/asilomar21



Our ideal leader would have: the courage of Rosa Parks, the vision of Susan B. Anthony, the stamina of Florence Joyner, the intelligence of Chien-ShiungWu, the compassion of Florence Nightingale, the technical knowledge of Marie Curie, the self-awareness of Helen Keller, the writer eloquence of Amy Tan, the oratory of Barbara Jordan, the popularity of Princess Diana, the drive of Hilary Clinton, the iron will of Margaret Thatcher, the hope of cartoon character Cathy, the charisma of Maya Angelou, the passion of Dolores Huerta, the sense of humor of Murphy Brown, the creativity of Frida Kahlo, the humility of Mother Teresa, the daring of Amelia Earhardt, the industry of Rosie the Riverter, the heart of Pam Fisher, and the collaboration of a good team! - By the ALSS Class of 2001

Pam Fisher on Leadership....

The future leaders of the community college movement will have the awesome responsibility of ensuring that the community college mission of access and equity remains a reality. These new leaders will have to do this in a context that is challenged by dwindling fiscal resources, aging facilities, ever expanding technology, and demanding expectations from business, industry and government leaders. To lead with vision, creativity and passion will require a strong sense of courage, character and compassion.

Fortunately, there is a new generation of diverse leaders who are eager to accept these responsibilities. Those of us who are veterans have the responsibility to create and support opportunities for professional development that will prepare these leaders. The Asilomar Leadership Skills Seminar

brings together these experienced and future leaders to develop the skills necessary to ensure that our community colleges continue to provide outstanding educational opportunity for all of California's citizens.

Seminar Director Dr. Pamila Fisher is Chancellor Emeritus of the Yosemite Community College District and past-president of AACC, AAWCJC and CACC. She was Facilitator for AACC's Future Leadership Institutes for ten years and consults widely for individual colleges, districts, and systems in areas related to leadership, diversity and cultural proficiency, communications and team building. Dr. Fisher also conducts presidential searches and board retreats as an associate of the Association of Community College Trustees









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