

Classified Professional Learning Day Feedback

Post-it Notes

What Inspired You Today?	What Did You Learn Today?	Feedback for Next CPL Day
We all work for the same goal	Interact more with our students, even if its just saying hello!	Further group/topic/specific session about OneDrive file migration, etc.
I was inspired by the investment into classified staff today. To know you are valued is invaluable.	Calming brain during conflict	Have Classified staff lead more sessions. Tap into classified knowledge and talent!
The sunny weather and nice talks with colleagues	I learned that students appreciate and perceive when we do not make cultural /ethnic assumptions about them.	More trivia! Treasure hunt! Scavenger Hunt!
Diverse sessions and presenters were good	Approach situations with more empathy	More icebreakers
	Genius bar presentation was a very accessible workshop. Great job!	Hiring committee training
	No Google docs!	

Feedback Form Answers

What sessions or activities inspired you on March 20? What can be improved?
The Consider Your Impact student panel session was insightful. I enjoyed hearing the student's opinions on what we can do (and not do) to help them succeed.
I really loved Stormy's session, but do wish it was longer, our discussion was great, but we didn't have enough time to fully complete it.
I enjoyed the student panel session, would love to have the opportunity hear from more students in the future.
I sincerely enjoyed the day. The time to gather, enjoy activities & learning sessions together was valuable; I felt valued as an employee and member of our COM community. I appreciated and came away inspired by each of the sessions I attended: Tech 101, chair yoga and emergency prep.
I attended Consider Your Impact and I was really inspired by the poise and confidence the students showed as well as their eloquence. I wrote some things down that I wanted to remember and though I don't work with students that often, I will venture a greeting in passing.
Participants were applauding every single statement students made, which wasn't the fault of the presenters but I wish it hadn't started because it felt kind of obtrusive and didn't really enhance what was being said. Perhaps suggesting we save the applause for the end would have helped but not a big deal.
I loved the Spring Twig Wreath-making - thank you for including activities beyond the more typical classroom sessions about tools and strategies. Creativity boosts the mood, reduces stress, offers social interaction and strengthening, and enhances innovation.
My afternoon session was "The Other Story" with Stormy. I found it helpful and hope I can remember some of the methods demonstrated at times when I myself feel stressed, angry or frightened. We ran out of time for her to finish everything she had planned but it was still good.
To be honest, I approached the day with some lack of enthusiasm. I have work to do and I'm not always thrilled about the sessions. This time I was pleasantly surprised and can even say I was glad to have attended. The ice-breaker COM trivia questions were fun and informative. The lunch was delicious, and all the sessions I attended were worthwhile.
Information Technology was hoping to receive for more training on Teams. And Navigating Crisis and Conflict Through Inquiry, Empathy, and Care enjoyed this session and gave me a constructive way to look at things
Student panel was inspiring. I was happy to hear how classified staff have impacted our students in a tangible way, as well as hear how staff can better help students. I was glad to hear specific call-outs to acknowledge staff members who have made a difference!
Attending the presentations, especially "What is Your Why" presented by Jonathan and Nikoda. Others I spoke to also enjoyed other presentations.
The Other Story: Navigating Crisis & Conflict Through Inquiry, Empathy & Care
The best parts for me were the wreath making activity and the trivia game. The workshops contained information that I could've easily gotten on the My Com portal; they didn't feel substantial. I was bored at both sessions, which was the general consensus I got from other people. Also, I don't quite see the point of all the interactive activities involving the centennial and the wordsmithing for the key words of community, equity, inclusion and accessibility. The "asks" that are presented during these activities are mostly just jargon and don't really make any sense to the participants. We're often in the groups looking at each other with no real idea of what to write down. It's very unclear what is wanted in terms of outcome. I worked in marketing for several years and these were the things that we'd spend weeks and months deep diving into; I understand the teambuilding aspect of getting everyone on board with the centennial messaging, but this feels like a waste of time and something that a dedicated marketing and creative team should be doing, not a bunch of people in a noisy room who don't really understand the ask. Lastly, the meat sandwich was super gross! Biting into the prosciutto was like gnawing on a leather shoe that had been left out in a neglected driveway for decades.
Do you have any additional feedback about this Classified Professional Learning Day?
Last semester there was a session on "why is your why?" where employees talked about how they came to working for COM, and their experience at COM (whether short or long), and why they have stayed. Have they changed jobs within COM, same job for 20 years, etc. I think it would also be very beneficial to hear from classified employees who now may hold leadership roles at COM or have been promoted to talk about their journey to those positions for those that may be looking for that next step.
Please continue to offer personal enrichment activities such as chair yoga (it was wonderful) and twig wreath-making.
Continue to include creative and non-lecture style offerings and not just as optional sessions.
Hoping for more training on Teams and One Drive
There was a variety of sessions for the day and session locations were not too far from Student Services. I like the wellness activity options during lunchtime. Thank you!
Keep up the good work.
I truly appreciate that this was done for us. It's nice to have a job that offers days like this to their employees. I would like to see less fluffy options for sessions. Say, for example, if the LinkedIn101 workshop was available (along with a Premium Subscription), I would've attended that in a heartbeat. That would've actually been useful.
How can we improve scheduling Classified Professional Learning Day to make it easier to attend?
No responses to this question