

7th Annual Deshpande Symposium for Innovation & Entrepreneurship in Higher Education.
June 11 - 13, 2018 @ UMass Lowell.

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7th Annual Deshpande Symposium Call for Panel Proposals Open!

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Dear Colleagues,

With the end of semester coming to a close and the holiday season in full swing, we are reaching out to remind you that the 7th Annual Deshpande Symposium for Innovation & Entrepreneurship in Higher Education, June 11 - 13, 2018 in Lowell, MA, is presently accepting panel proposals.

Proposals can address any of the three core areas of the Symposium:

- *Entrepreneurship in the Curriculum*
- *University Research Commercialization and Startups*
- *Developing Entrepreneurial Universities, Culture & Ecosystems*

The Annual Symposium provides an opportunity for entrepreneurship practitioners and researchers to share experiences, gain exposure to ideas and collaborate on activities that help accelerate innovation and entrepreneurship in colleges and universities across the country.

Please submit your proposal abstract by January 31, 2018. For complete panel proposal submission information, please visit: <http://www.deshpandesymposium.org/>.

We appreciate your continued interest and look forward to reviewing your panel proposal for this year's Symposium.

Wishing you all a happy holiday season!

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Deshpande Foundation
Symposium Co-Chair

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Community Announcements



USASBE Conference
January 10-14, 2018
Hollywood, CA

The updated USASBE conference format promises to make the 2018 conference in Hollywood the best in USASBE's history!

There is a lot of excitement about the USASBE Annual Conference this year! Our annual conference architecture is changing to reflect our new sense of community and focus on entrepreneurship education. We no longer have a call for papers! We now have a Call for Engagement! The new conference structure is modern, relevant, simple and engaging - all to encourage greater value and innovation in submissions.

A few highlights include shifting of the doctoral consortium to emphasize teaching and learning entrepreneurship as opposed to the traditional doctoral focus. We are preparing Ph.D. students to boldly teach entrepreneurship and engage in entrepreneurship education scholarship. In addition, we've organized around three submission tracks:

- (1) The Teaching Track for demonstrating experiential approaches, case studies, and even presenting new ideas that you have but haven't moved the needle yet and need help!
- (2) The Research Track for evidence-based work to advance our understanding of teaching and learning entrepreneurship.
- (3) The Programming Track to share best practice in program creating, building, and management. We want to hear about running centers, incubators, accelerators, competitions, maker spaces, training programs and anything else related to entrepreneurship education outside of the classroom.

By attending the 2018 USASBE Conference you automatically become a member of USASBE. Anyone wanting to advance entrepreneurship education through bold teaching, research, and practice are welcome in USASBE.

For more information please call or email Patrick Snyder psnyder@usasbe.org (262) 472-1449. You can also visit the [conference home page](#) to register.



VentureWell's OPEN Conference
March 22-24, 2018
Austin, TX



Plan to join us for VentureWell's OPEN Conference, March 22-24, 2018 in Austin, Texas, a vibrant city with an active startup community. The annual two-day conference gathers faculty, administrators, and institutional change makers from across the I&E spectrum to share stories, start new collaborations, and learn emerging best practices in the rapidly evolving field of technology entrepreneurship education. The conference is called OPEN to reflect both the welcoming culture of our attendees and the way the conference connects people across disciplines and geographies to grow entrepreneurship education.

OPEN 2018 will feature a wealth of informative sessions and time to network with a friendly and engaging group of colleagues committed to moving the field forward. Sessions will cover a wide range of subjects such as fostering creative thinking in the classroom, IP policy to spur innovation, and scaling innovations in resource-constrained environments.

Learn more about OPEN 2018 [here](#) . [Register](#) by December 1 to save 20%!



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