CEWIL 2022 Call for Proposals

The team at CEWIL have already started planting the seeds for its very first fully virtual conference- *Growing the Future of WIL*. While we will be ready to harvest the fruits of our labour in June, we are calling on the WIL community to help fertilize the landscape with your knowledge, experience and passion for WIL.

Conference Dates: June 13-14, 2022, and June 20-21, 2022

Join us as a presenter!
Proposals are being accepted starting now, until March 15th, 2022

With many lessons learned in our near 50 years of existence, the CEWIL community knows the importance of being open to new ideas, being adept to change, all the while keeping the strength of its community. Without a conference since 2018, we are excited to host conversations, panels, and presentations on *Growing the Future of WIL*!

Conference Themes

Growing the Future of WIL allows presenters to go in a variety of directions; here are some topics we would love to hear more about:

- **Engaging in Innovative WIL:** Has your institution brought WIL to an unlikely academic discipline? Have you created a new model of WIL delivery? Reflection? Have you been funded through the iHub and would like to share your lessons learned? Let your mind free to share your take on innovative WIL.
- **The Future of Remote and Hybrid Engagement:** What will this look like for you as you deliver WIL preparatory programming or engage with your colleagues? Has our new reality changed how you will think about WIL placements and experiences in the future?
- **Sense of belonging, inclusion, and diversity:** Share your best practices and what practitioners can do right away to be more welcoming and inclusive to diverse students and other stakeholders. We know institutional policy change takes time, so what can we do right now?
- **Student recruitment, retention, and engagement:** A virtual format allows us to partner with our students to hear their perspectives from across the country on a broad range of topics. How can you partner with a student(s) to tell us about student engagement?
- **Embracing failure:** In the last two years, you would be hard pressed to find a practitioner that hasn't tried something new. While we learn a lot from what has worked, what can you tell us about something you tried that didn't work, and what you learned from it?

Presentation Formats

We want to hear from you!
We have created several formats to inspire your sharing with the WIL community.

Sprout sessions – 15 minutes: (*5-minute pitch, followed by 10-minute breakout room discussions)*
Do you have a seedling of an idea or initiative that you want to brainstorm with colleagues about, but are missing a little water? Do you have an ongoing issue that you would like some new and fresh perspectives on? Submit your idea, problem, or question and get feedback from your peers. Remember: all beautiful tall trees started as a sprout.

Trunk Sessions– 50 minutes: *(50 minute live engaging session)*
You (or maybe you and some colleagues) will facilitate or present a session on your chosen topic. Trunk sessions are longer and meant to provide a more in-depth overview or discussion of a particular issue or topic. Don't forget to think about how you can engage with your audience in a virtual environment.

Branching Out Sessions – 25 minutes: *(25 minute Ted Talk style)*
Branching Out Sessions are short, dynamic and captivate an audience. Speakers have a limited time to make a presentation on a topic of their choice. These are an excellent format for presenting or discussing bite size elements of a program or initiative. We look forward to being inspired.

Bearing Fruits Sessions – 50 minutes: *(20 minutes pre-recorded with a 30-minute Q & A)*
Bearing Fruits sessions provide an opportunity for delegates to participate in asynchronous elements of the virtual conference. They have your pre-recorded content ahead of time to watch at their leisure and will join presenters and other delegates for a dedicated Q&A and discussion at a specified time in the agenda.

Planter Box Sessions – OPEN
Want more room to spread your roots? We understand! We are open to hear about any other presentation format that make you bloom.

Become a Presenter at CEWIL 2022: Growing the Future of WIL!
Submit your proposal today - Submission Form

Deadline to submit your proposal: March 15, 2022

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