

Unique Learning & Contribution Opportunity

With Dr. Donna Beegle

Poverty Institute – July 17-18, 2017
Seattle, WA



This intensive two-day [Poverty Institute](#) provides a grounded understanding of poverty and what you can do to more successfully assist people from a background of poverty.

Participants will:

- Learn to communicate more effectively with those from poverty (e.g., bridging print and oral cultures).
- Use role play, activities, modeling and dialogue to understand and practice core concepts.
- Come away with concrete strategies and materials that you can use right away to make a difference.



Donna Beegle is a highly experienced national public speaker, discussion leader, trainer, and author of *See Poverty, Be the Difference*, a resource book for those who work with people in poverty. Dr. Beegle has worked and written articles providing insights and strategies for communicating effectively across race, class, gender and generational barriers for nearly 20 years.

Her inspiring story and work have been featured in newspapers around the nation, on local TV and national programs such as PBS. To learn more about Dr. Beegle's work and impact, [click here](#).

The Poverty Institute is designed for professionals from the fields of justice, education, health, social service, faith-based and community organization members.

Call for Participation

The Office of Student Success invites faculty and staff to be part of a delegation to the highly respected Poverty Institute. Participants will be part of a team who will assist with campus initiatives during the 2017-18 academic year in support of ISU's strategic goals to close achievement gaps for low income students, ones who are often first generation and/or students of color.

Interested persons should craft an email indicating your interest in attending the Poverty Institute, what you feel you can gain, and how you think you can contribute as a member of the campus team. Involvement on the team is not envisioned to be time consuming (perhaps a few hours per month assisting with unit or campus education and/or data assessment). Up to seven persons will be selected, ideally a faculty member from each college and 1-2 staff participants. All expenses for the Poverty Institute will be covered and each participant will receive \$500 in AY 2017-18 for their involvement on the team in the form of a professional travel augment or professional development funds (e.g., books, materials, etc.).

The email of interest should be sent to Joshua Powers (jopowers@indstate.edu), Associate Vice President for Student Success, by May 9.