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Indiana State University faculty and staff are cordially invited to the 3rd Annual Student Success Conference. The theme of this year's conference, *True Blue*, emphasizes the unwavering commitment we have to quality in and out-of-class education for students and to the innovations and efforts necessary to enhance their experience.



In the spirit of *True Blue*, this year's conference kicks off with a morning workshop by Dr. Susanna Calkins, Director of Faculty Programs at the Searle Center for Advancing Learning & Teaching at Northwestern University. A national expert on enhancing the teaching and learning enterprise, Dr. Calkins is a frequent speaker and has written extensively on topics related to instruction. She is also a prolific historical mystery writer as an outgrowth of her Ph.D. in history. Her workshop is entitled, *Engaging and Motivating Learners: A Key to Student Success at ISU*.

The conference shifts from there to a completely new feature, EdCampISU. This "unconference" element in the late morning and early afternoon brings an exploding international phenomena to ISU in which professionals (us) gather for participant-driven learning that accelerates student growth. Rather



than being talked “to” you get to offer ideas on what you want to talk “about” that we structure into breakout sessions. You go as much to give something valuable as you do to receive something from others. Have a look at this [video](#) to learn more and click on this [link](#) to start sharing your ideas for topical sessions aligned in some way to student success.



**Vernon Cheeks, SGA
President & Panel
Moderator**

Our lunch program will feature an SGA sponsored panel discussion on teaching and advising from a student perspective. These two topics are especially important as we reflect on how to strengthen them for student success, the latter the focus of a report about to be released by a campus-wide task force. A student’s perspective is essential as we wrestle with how to support, enhance, and reward good teaching and advising.

The conference closes with a panel discussion by Course Transformation Academy participants. Come hear how instructors of these classes are embracing the challenge of improving student learning by examining success rates in their courses, utilizing new approaches to course delivery, and collaborating with colleagues both inside and outside the institution.



Conference Schedule

8:15 – 8:45am	Registration	Gallery
8:45 - 10:15am	Susanna Calkins Workshop	Dede I
10:15 – 10:30am	EdCamp Introduction I	Dede I
10:45 – 12:00pm	EdCamp Sessions I	Various locations
12:00 – 1:15pm	Lunch and SGA Panel	Dede I
1:15 – 1:30pm	EDCamp Introduction II	Dede I
1:30 – 2:30pm	EdCamp Sessions II	Dede II & III
2:30 – 3:00pm	Refreshment Break	Dede I
3:00 – 4:15pm	Course Transformation Panel	Dede I
4:15 – 5:00pm	Around the World with Food & Drink Reception ¹	Dede I

An RSVP for your attendance, or portion thereof, is appreciated by October 1. The conference is free. Questions can be directed to the Office of Student Success

¹ Come enjoy a special treat, an around the world taste of delicious international appetizers and beverages while you talk with colleagues about what you learned at the conference.

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