



16th Annual GEAR UP West Conference: Reach Your Peak  
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**Breakout Session Title:**

**Primary Presenter Information**

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**2nd Presenter** *(if applicable)*

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**3rd Presenter** *(if applicable)*

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**Session Description:** *The 75- to 100-word description should summarize and accurately reflect the content of what you are proposing for the session.*

*Submissions should be concise, accurate presentation of best practices addressing one or more of the suggested topics. Proposals should feature a brief summary of the learning objectives and intended audience. Please describe the format (panel, facilitated discussion, lecture, etc.), and participant takeaways.*

*This description will appear in the conference program if your proposal is selected.*

**Which room design works best for your session?** *(Theater or Classroom or Other-Please specify)*

**Topics of interest include, but are not limited to the following:**

- Building resilience for students and for practitioners.
- Apprenticeships and other postsecondary pathways.
- Cross-sector collaboration, partnerships, and collective impact.
- College freshmen student support services including support for commuter students.
- Equity and support for underrepresented populations (gender equity, ELL, students of color, DREAMers, youth who are in foster care and/or are experiencing homelessness).
- Financial literacy.
- Family engagement.
- Transitions, summer melt, and persistence.
- Grant management.
- Growth mindset and noncognitive skills.
- Evaluation results that demonstrate effective program practices.
- Data collection and analysis strategies for documenting program successes and areas for improvement.
- Research-based practices and strategies.
- Continual improvement and sustainability.
- Advocacy and support in your school, community, and beyond.