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FALL 2022 FREE WEBINAR SERIES

Leveraging the Thriving and Appreciative Education Frameworks to Support Student and Workplace Well-Being & Engagement

A Step Toward Becoming Thriving & Appreciative Campuses

Facilitated By: Amanda Propst Cuevas, PhD

September 29, 2022



Take A Mindful Minute to Breathe

Photo Credit: Michelle Louis, PhD



Today's Webinar

WHAT DO STUDENTS NEED FROM US AND WHAT DO WE NEED FROM OUR INSTITUTIONS?

- I MATTER.
- I BELONG.
- YOU SEE ME.
- YOU HEAR ME.
- YOU SUPPORT ME.
- YOU BELIEVE IN ME.
- YOU CARE ABOUT ME.



I have learned that people will forget what you said, people will forget what you did, but people will never forget how you made them feel.

Maya Angelou 1028-2011



ASPIRATION: TO BECOME THRIVING AND APPRECIATIVE CAMPUSES

Members Adopt an Appreciative Mindset

- #CareOut Loud: Lead with empathy, authenticity, & compassion, and intentionally care about others
- #People Before Process:
 Fully <u>human</u>-centered



Members Apply the Thriving & Appreciative Education Frameworks:

- to build positive relationships
- to engage learning in and out of the classroom
- to lead engaged teams, departments, and the institution
- to help ALL members of the campus community **THRIVE**





TOOL 1: THRIVING



Thriving: Fully engaged, energized, and making the most of the college experience.
(Schreiner, 2022)

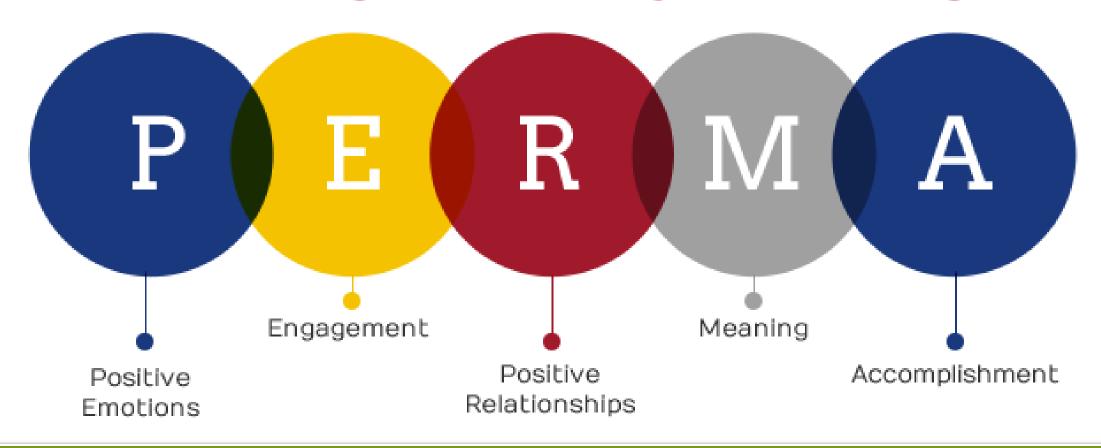


Laurie A. Schreiner, PhD

"Academic, Psychological, & Social Well-Being & Engagement" (Schreiner, 2010; 2016)

www.thrivingincollege.org

Introducing a New Theory of Well-Being



https://www.authentichappiness.sas.upenn.edu/learn

What Happens When Students Thrive?



Academically Determined



Engaged in Learning



Maintain
Positive
Perspective



Make a
Difference as
Diverse Citizens



Socially Connected to Others in Positive Ways

What Helps Student Thrive?

- Talent awareness
- Healthy relationships
- Reframing negative events
- Involvement on campus
- Vital engagement in community

 Engaged learning Schreiner, L. A. (2013a). Thriving in college. New Directions for Student Services, 143, 41-52. Used with permission.





Pathways to Thriving

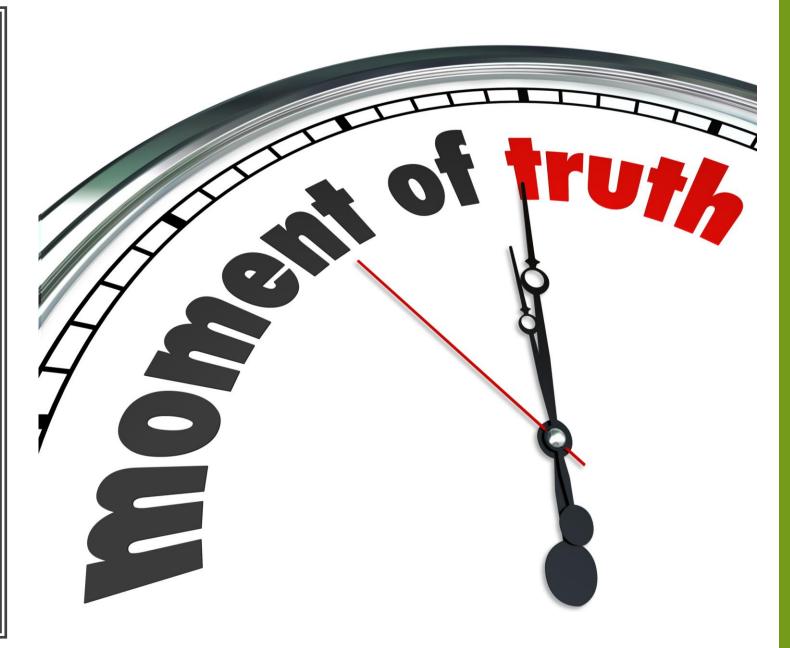
- Psychological Sense of Community
- Student-Faculty
 Interaction
- Campus Involvement
- Spirituality (Meaning & Purpose)
- Major Certainty & Degree Goal
- Institutional Integrity

OUTCOMES:

- Enhanced Sense of Belonging & Fit
- Increased
 Satisfaction
- Greater Academic Achievement
- Persistence to Degree
- Retention

Schreiner, L. A. (2013). Thriving in college. *New Directions for Student Services*, *143*, 41-52.

Every interaction a student has with a member of the campus is a moment of truth that changes their perception of the institution – positively or negatively!



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TOOL 2: APPRECIATIVE ADVISING



"Appreciative Advising is the intentional collaborative practice of asking generative, open-ended questions that help students optimize their educational experiences and achieve their dreams, goals, and potentials."

Bloom, J. L., Hutson, B. L., & He, Y. (2008). *The appreciative advising revolution*. Stipes.







Ask generative open-ended questions that help advisers learn about students' strengths, skills, and abilities.



Inquire about students' hopes and dreams for their futures.



Co-create a plan for making their dreams a reality.



The student delivers on the plan created during the Design phase and the adviser is available to encourage and support students.



Advisers and students alike need to set their own internal bars of expectations high.



"Appreciative Administration is fundamentally situated as a human experience and involves the intentional, consistent, and aspirational practice of establishing trusting relationships in which team members' strengths and skills are identified and leveraged to co-create and achieve organizational and personal goals."

(Elsberry, 2022)

Elsberry, M. (2022). Appreciative administration: A grounded theory of how the appreciative education theory-to-practice framework is being infused into higher education [Unpublished doctoral dissertation]. Florida Atlantic University.

TOOL 3: APPRECIATIVE ADMINISTRATION



Create a safe, welcoming community. Establish a sense of belonging and a culture in which all employees' voices are valued and respected.



Uncover individual & organizational strengths and successes. Focus on what is going right on both individual and organizational levels.



Create a shared vision for the future. Encourage employees to also reflect on their own individual dreams.



Co-create concrete, incremental, and achievable goals.



Provide support, feedback, and resources to carry out the plan. Allow employees to flex their "grit" and resilience muscles.



Challenge employees to proactively raise their internal bar of self-expectations

Bloom, J. L. & McLellan, J. L. (2016). Appreciative administration: Applying the appreciative education framework to leadership practices in higher education. *Journal of Higher Education Management*, (31)1, 195-210.



Theoretical Underpinnings

Bloom, J. L., Hutson, B. L., & He, Y. (2008). *The appreciative advising revolution*. Stipes.

Appreciative Inquiry

(Cooperrider, 1990)

Positive Psychology (Seligman, 1998)

Scaffolding (Vygtoskdy, 1978)

Self-Worth Theory Covington, 1992)

Social Constructivism Dewey, 1916)

Validation Theory (Rendón, 1994)

Sense of Belonging (Strayhorn, 2020) among others

"Appreciative Inquiry (AI) is the cooperative search for the best in people, their organizations, and the world around them...Al involves the art and practice of asking questions that strengthen a system's capacity to heighten positive potential"

(Cooperrider & Whitney, 2000, p. 10)

App-pre'ci-ate, v.,

1. valuing; the act of recognizing the best in people and the world around us; affirming past and present strengths, successes and potential; to perceive things that give life (health, vitality, excellence) to living systems

2. to increase the value

Synonyms: valuing, prizing, esteeming and honoring

"What we appreciate appreciates."

Lindsey Godwin, PhD,
 Academic Director, Cooperrider
 Center for Appreciative Inquiry,
 Champlain College

In-quire' (kwir), v.,

- 1. the act of exploration and discovery.
- 2. To ask questions; to be open to seeing new potentials and possibilities. Synonyms: discovery, search, and systematic exploration, study

https://appreciativeinquiry.champlain.edu/learn/appreciative-inquiry-introduction/

TOOL 4: APPRECIATIVE MINDSET



Bloom, J. L., Hutson, B. L., & He, Y. (2008). The appreciative advising revolution. Stipes Publishing.



APPLICATION: OUR STUDENTS























We can choose to look for the ideal student or we can choose to become the ideal campus







A JARRING QUESTION

How can we help our students thrive and succeed, if we aren't thriving and succeeding in the workplace?



The biggest concern for any organization should be when their most passionate people become quiet.

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When Your Most Motivated Employees Become Quiet!

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THE GREAT RESIGNATION

The World Health
Organization officially
recognizes workplace
'burnout' as an
occupational phenomenon

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- For the first time, the World Health Organization classifies workplace burnout as an occupational phenomenon.
- The WHO says it is a syndrome resulting from chroniworkplace stress that has not been successfully managed.
- Burnout is not classified as a medical condition.



"Yoga won't save us. How do we build workplaces in which we *love* to work?"

-Mykel Beorchia, Executive Director of University and Executive Advising, Utah State University



A Conversation With Colleagues



1. Tell me about at time, a situation, or a position when you felt most engaged, alive, and energetic at work?

(adapted from Whitney et al, 2010, p. 47)

2. What tools and strategies will you engage to create a thriving workplace?



Whitney, D., Trosten-Bloom, A., & Rader, K. (2010). *Appreciative leadership: Focus on what works to drive winning performance*. McGraw-Hill.





THE OAE TEAM: WALKING THE TALK

Work and life influence each other...It is in both the individual's and the organization's best interest for people to thrive in all aspects of their life....Wellbeing can be transformed...All things being equal, thriving in what you do every day makes for stronger relationships, a more secure financial life, good health and greater community involvement....generally speaking, the best starting point [to influence net thriving] is career wellbeing.



(Clifton & Harter, 2021, pp. 34-36)

Clifton, J., & Harter, J. (2021). Wellbeing at work: How to build resilient and thriving teams. Gallup Press.

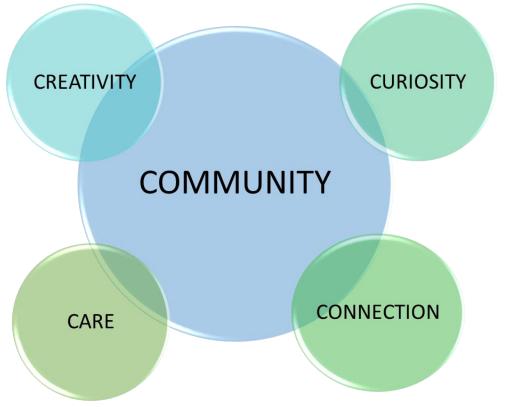
REMEMBER OUR WHY

"Education is the most powerful means of increasing individual opportunity and creating more prosperous, fair, and just societies. So to have the privilege of participating in that mission is as much as anybody could hope for in life."

–B. Joseph White

Reiter, A. F. (2005). Meet Joe White: New UI president talks about leadership, goals and responsibility." *Illinois Alumni Magazine*, 17(5), 20–23.

ESTABLISH A PSYCHOLOGICAL SENSE OF COMMUNITY



Nelson, A., Wilkerson, S., Hursh, B., Barria, L., Cosgrove, K., Freire, J., Natalus, R., Nevin, A., Propst Cuevas, A. E., & Bloom, J. L. (2021). Employing the Appreciative Education framework to innovatively deliver the virtual Appreciative Advising Institute. *Journal of Appreciative Education*, (8), 73-83.

"Trust is in fact earned in the smallest of moments...It is earned through paying attention, listening, and gestures of genuine care and concern" (Brown, 2018, p. 18).

Brown, B. (2018). *Dare to lead.* Random House.

Guiding Mantras



We Can Do Hard Things. –Glennon Doyle



Everything Is Figureoutable. – Marie Folio



Do The Best You Can Until You Know Better, And When You Know Better, Do Better. –Maya Angelou



If You Were Great Right Now, What Would Great Look Like?

—Cy Wakeman



People Before Process. – Mykel Beorchia



GRACE!



Oh Shift! – Jennifer Powers

INTENTIONALLY COMMIT TO WELLBEING



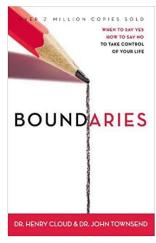
"What fills your cup? You can't pour from an empty cup. We give to others out of our overflow."

-Tyree Vance













ASK APPRECIATIVE QUESTIONS

"Inquiry is the most direct, simplest, and fastest way to foster engagement and generate responsibility for the future" (Whitney et al., 2010, p. 43).

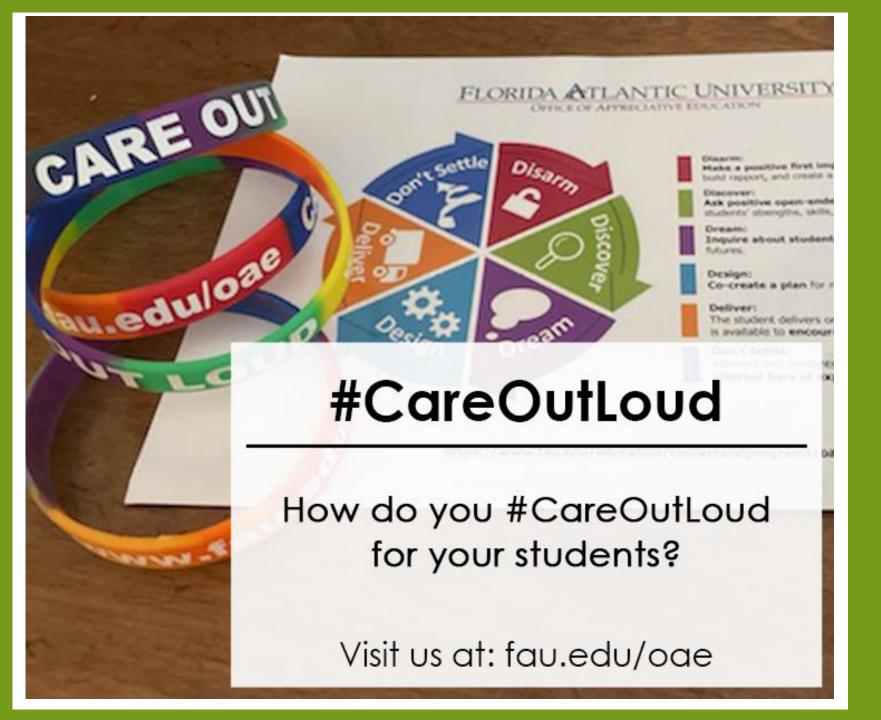
Individual

- When I look at these activities, which made me feel strong and brought a sense of joy, accomplishment, flow, and deep engagement? (Harter, Schmit, & Keyes, 2003; Heath & Heath, 2017).
- What opportunities exist to do what I do best in my current role? (Harter, Schmidt, & Keyes, 2003, p. 212)

Team

- "What is it about this team structure, systems, processes, stuff, policies, leaders, strategy that creates conditions where you flourish?" (Cooperrider, et al., 2008, p. 115).
- Who on our team is best suited to carry out these roles/tasks?
- What do we need from this team to thrive?
- What can we stop/start/continue doing?

Heath, C., & Heath, D. (2017). The power of moments: Why certain experiences have extraordinary impact. Simon & Schuster.; Harter, J. K., Schmidt, F. L., & Keyes, C. L. M. (2003). Well-being in the workplace and its relationship to business outcomes: A review of the Gallup studies. In C. L. Keyes & J. Haidt (Eds.) Flourishing: Positive psychology and the life well-lived. American Psychological Association.; Heath, C., & Heath, D. (2017). The power of moments: Why certain experiences have extraordinary impact. Simon & Schuster.; Whitney, D., Trosten-Bloom, A., & Rader, K. (2010). Appreciative leadership: Focus on what works to drive winning performance. McGraw-Hill.



APPRECIATE & RECOGNIZE

"All of us thrive in an atmosphere of appreciation" (Chapman & White, 2012, p. 24)

Chapman, G., & White, P. (2012). The 5 languages of appreciation in the workplace: Empowering organizations by encouraging people. Northfield Publishing.

Schwantes, M. (2022, June 8). Why are people leaving their jobs? It could come down to 1 thing they're not getting from their bosses One simple strategy will lead to significantly more loyal and committed employees. *Inc.*

https://www.inc.com/marcelschwantes/why-are-people-leavingtheir- jobs-it-could-come-down-to-1-thingtheyre-not-getting-from-bosses.html

1:1 Meeting Template

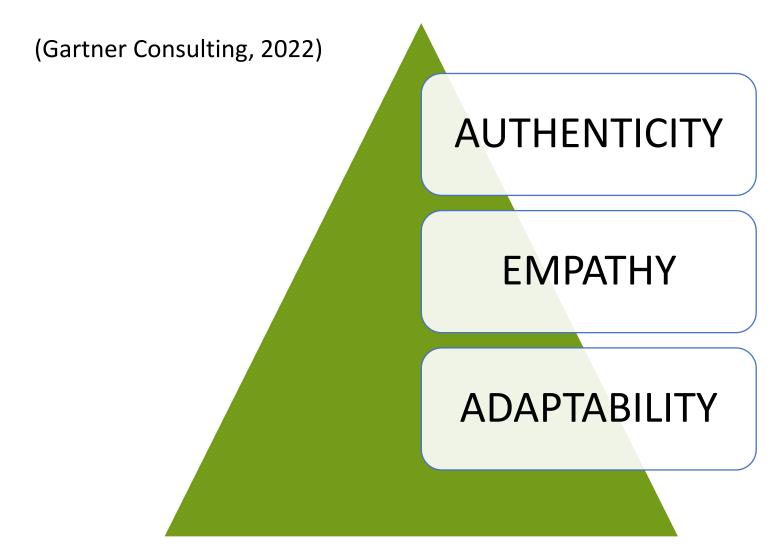
Shared with Permission from Mykel Beorchia, Utah State University



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Name Date	Three accomplishments (data points/highlights/breakthroughs/success stories/high point).	Two things you are doing to prepare for upcoming projects or challenges.	A story of one stakeholder or colleague who is deserving of sincere praise.
McKayla 5/24	Proud: Learning new systems Easiest: Achieve Hardest: Argos. So many reports. How to look at in? First appointment: Relied on Olivia. If you get stuck, say "What do you think about this?" 60 credits project. Connect with the students and email them.	Prep before you do appointments. You have an idea of what the student is asking. Front and Center. Listened to the first one. Creating outreach plan.	Madison. Invited to lunch. Checkins for no reason.

EMPLOY HUMAN LEADERSHIP

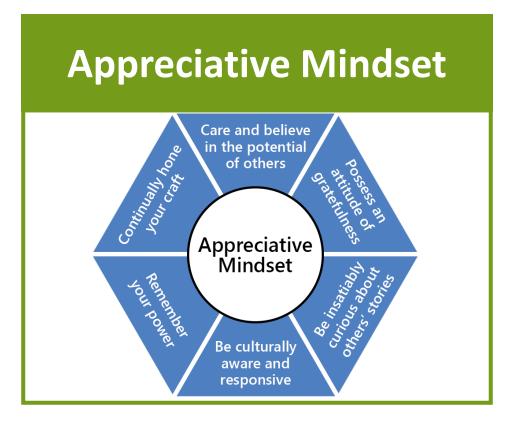


Constantino, A. K. (2022, Sep 21). Your workplace desperately needs this type of boss, researchers say – but only 1 in 4 employees have one. https://www.cnbc.com/2022/09/21/workers-need-empathetic-flexible-boss-research-indicates.html

HOW DO I GET STARTED?

Pocket of Greatness Output Description:

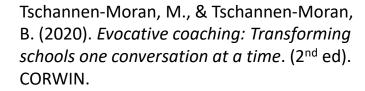
Collins, J. (2001). Good to Great: Why some companies make the leap...and others don't. HarperCollins.



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[Educators] are often working in high-stress conditions in which they experience a sense of being overwhelmed and exhausted. It may seem that what is needed is rest, but the antidote for exhaustion is not necessarily rest, but wholeheartedness. Working wholeheartedly in education requires courage—a word that comes from the old French word 'cuer,' meaning heart—as well as new understandings and approaches. It requires imaginative visualizations and creative flights of fancy of what people want as well as clear designs regarding how to get there. It is challenging, but not impossible work.

(Tschannan-Moran & Tschannan-Moran, 2020, p. 104)





What is one action step that you will commit to today?





"The greatest possible contribution which any one of us can make to the world is just to be ourselves at our best." - Unknown

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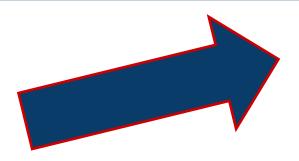
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Appreciative Education is becoming THE theory-to-practice framework for leading innovative educational institutions across the world

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT OFFERINGS













What is the Difference between the Virtual Appreciative Advising Institute and the Appreciative Advising Online Course?

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CARE OUT LOUD

with FAU's Office of Appreciative Education

#CareOutLoud is a key feature of Appreciative Advising. As Appreciative Educators, we are committed to "caring out loud," that is, intentionally demonstrating to students and colleagues that they matter.

#CareOutLoud

CARE OU u.edu|02 #CareOutLoud How do you #CareOutLoud for your students? Visit us at: fau.edu/oae

APPRECIATIVE ADMINISTRATION ONLINE COURSE

Hone your Administration Skills using the Appreciative Education Theory-to-Practice Framework

6-Weeks | Asynchronous Non-Credit Online Course

This course provides community members with the opportunity to learn specific skills, techniques, and practical applications for becoming an effective Administrator by using the Appreciative Education framework.

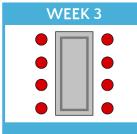






APPRECIATIVE ONBOARDING

Develop a comprehensive onboarding program to welcome new team members



APPRECIATIVE STAFF MEETINGS

Lead effective and engaging meetings that inspire your team



APPRECIATIVE SUPERVISION

Empower
employees to
deliver on
co-created
performance
goals



APPRECIATIVE ASSESSMENT

Powerfully communicate assessment results and outcomes



Design and deliver a strategic plan based on the unit's strength

2022-2023 ONLINE COURSE OFFERINGS

FALL 2022 SPRING 2023 SUMMER 2023

Oct 3 - Nov 14 Feb 20 - Apr 3 May 30 - July 10

PRICING

Registration: \$495 per person

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Questions?

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THE LIVE! VIRTUAL 2023 APPRECIATIVE ADVISING INSTITUTE

May 15-18, 2023

Registration Deadline: April 14

Schedule Overview



June 12-15, 2023

Registration Deadline: May 12

July 17-20, 2023

Registration Deadline: June 16

Why should you consider attending the Institute?

The Live! Virtual 2023 Appreciative Advising Institute is a synchronous, four-day highly participatory and interactive professional development experience. You will be assigned to a small group led by a skilled Appreciative Advising practitioner where you will learn practical skills and techniques for optimizing your interactions with students.

"I enjoyed interacting and learning from the group leader and my group participants. This was by far the best professional development I have attended. The takeaways will definitely make an impact in my work with students." - June AAI 2021 Participant

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Bundle Package**
\$695 per person

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** Institute and Certified Appreciative Adviser Application

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Appreciative Advising provides a practical theory-to-practice framework for advisors to optimize their interactions with students and colleagues in both individual and group settings. The six-phase Appreciative Advising model provides a scaffold for advisors to intentionally use active listening and generative questioning strategies to:



Participants will learn specific skills and techniques for immediate practical application of what they learn in the class.

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- Completion of Advising Online
 Course or Institute
- **3 Peer Reviewed Appreciative Advising Skills Rubrics**
- **✓** Letter of Recommendation
- **V** Current Resume/Curriculum Vitae
- Personal Appreciative Advising Statement



<u>Senefits</u>

- Expand your knowledge and skills on Appreciative Advising
- Distinguish yourself in a competitive job market by enhancing your resume/CV with this advanced professional qualification
- Provide your students with the best possible advising experience
- Connect with a global network of like-minded colleagues

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Certification Application \$275 per person

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APPRECIATIVE ADVISING ACADEMY

Develop **Appreciative Strategies, Resources, and Techniques** to Support Students

Supporting Students on Academic Probation

Wednesdays | 1-5 p.m. (Eastern Time Zone) Feb 15 – Mar 22, 2023

Registration Deadline: January 13, 2023



Appreciative Advising Academy Overview

The Appreciative Advising Academy is a synchronous, six-week highly participatory and interactive professional development experience where participants will gain a deeper knowledge of the Appreciative Advising Theory-to-Practice Framework through tangible application to working with specific student populations. For the first edition of the Appreciative Advising Academy, participants will emerge with specific strategies, resources, and techniques to support students on academic probation. Successful completion of the Appreciative Advising Institute, Appreciative Advising Online Course, or the Appreciative Administration Online Course is required to participate in the Appreciative Advising Academy.

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APPRECIATIVE
OUTREACH PLAN &
MESSAGES

Key Deliverable 1

ACADEMIC RECOVERY PLAN

Key Deliverable 2

PARALLEL PLAN WORKSHEET

Key Deliverable 3

INDIVIDUALIZED APPRECIATIVE PROJECT

Key Deliverable 4

ASSESSMENT PLAN

Key Deliverable 5

Academy Dates

Feb 15, 22
Mar 1, 8, 15, 22
Meets 1-5 p.m.
(Eastern Time Zone)

Registration will be limited to the first

75 people

Eligible with the Completion of (1 of the following)

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