



Information & Application for Participation 2011 Case Study Competition

Thank you for your interest in the 2011 ACSD New Professionals Collaborative Case Study Competition! This new initiative is designed to challenge new professionals (defined as professionals who have served in the student development field four years or less) to think critically about complex issues being confronted in the student development profession, find best practices, and work collaboratively with other new professionals. The following includes information about the competition,

Timeline:

April 1 – Deadline for Team Participation Applications

April 29 – Deadline for Written Responses

May 18 – Written Response Evaluations Returned to Teams

May 25 – Deadline for Conference Presentation Needs & Final Written Response (to NPC Leadership Team)

June 6 – 9 – Presentation at Conference

Team Information:

Groupings of three to four participants will make up the working teams for this competition. Teams should be formed by the participants themselves or individuals can choose to submit their information to the New Professionals Collaborative (NPC) Leadership Team to be included in a group of non-aligned professionals. All groups should submit this application for approval by the NPC Leadership Team with preference going to team including professionals from a variety of colleges/universities.

Case Study Information:

Each team will choose and then respond to one case study, however three case studies are provided to offer a choice for groups. Each has unique set of circumstances and will require responses in kind. Instructions for all of the provided case studies are as follows: *Based on the policy and current make-up of a typical faith-based college or university, please examine the following situations and develop a response plan that would address as many potential concerns possible, both internal and external to the University.*

Written Response:

After considering the case study provided, each team should present their response in written form for consideration prior to the 2011 ACSD Conference presentations. Each response should be no longer than 5 pages of text and additionally should include a display (reference list, communication pieces, etc.) of the research used to arrive at the team's conclusion.



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ACSD National Conference Presentation:

Each team will have an opportunity to give a brief presentation (approximately 10-15 minutes) of their case study response during a session to be held during the 2011 ACSD Conference to be held at Evangel University June 6 – June 9, 2011. Presentations should be prepared prior to the conference and teams should inform the NPC Leadership Team of any presentation needs no later than May 23 to allow for sufficient preparations.

Evaluation:

Prior to the conference, each team's written response will be forwarded to and evaluated by seasoned Student Development professionals. This panel will write feedback and score each response based on pre-established criteria:

- 1) Overall comprehension of the issue(s) described.
- 2) Comprehensiveness of the response provided.
- 3) Practicality/Transferability to other Christian college/university settings.
- 4) Display of the research process and/or communication used to gather best practices for response.
- 5) Presentation of the case study response.

***Final evaluation will be completed at the 2011 ACSD Conference following team presentations.

Communication:

All communication including questions & concerns should be directed to Jonathan Yorkowitz, Case Study Competition Chair using the following contact information:

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Case Study Selections:

- 1) You receive reports that one of your commuter students was shot and killed by city police at his home after consuming alcohol in an on-campus student living area along with several residential students.

- 2) A transgender student applies for and is accepted into the traditional undergraduate student program at your university and is required to live in on-campus housing according to your policy. How would you house them?

- 3) One of your students (an in-season athlete) begins to act oddly toward both coaches and other athletes during an early morning practice. The head coach calls to report what has occurred and you decide to check on the student. You find that student involved in a heated discussion with other students. While speaking with the student in a one-on-one conversation you recognize extreme changes from periods of crying to those of off the wall ideas being presented. After leaving the meeting, the student is found by another staff member having another aggressive discussion with some friends. You are called over to mediate the conversation. You also begin to receive reports from several offices that the student is being very disruptive to classes and other activities on campus.

Case Study Selected (i.e. Number 1): _____

Participant Information:

Participant Name	Position/Title	College/ University	E-mail	Phone

*** Please select a Team Lead and insert information into selected box.

Please Submit THIS APPLICATION no later than April 1, 2011 to jonathan.yorkowitz@fresno.edu.