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## 2012 Peer Learning Conference

### *The Power of Persistence II*

*Tapping into what motivates us to achieve and grow*

July 23-25

(conference ends at 2:00 pm on July 25)

### **Doubletree Hotel – Portland, OR**

1000 NE Multnomah Street  
Portland, OR 97232



## CONFERENCE OBJECTIVES AT A GLANCE

- **Expand communities of practice.** Further your own professional development by building on the skills and tools needed to create purposeful, supportive collaborations with your work teams and peers nationally; learn leadership strategies for fostering healthy, high-functioning teams.
- **Boost program impact and sustainability.** Explore strategies for achieving stronger student results and ensuring program growth and long-term viability; use student data (including student work) to continuously increase student learning and improve team and program performance; deepen your awareness of institutional systems and stakeholder perspectives/motivations that impact program and student success.
- **Implement holistic student support strategies.** Learn new ideas and approaches that instill high expectations among students, improve their motivation to learn, and help them build and sustain momentum towards a credential.
- **Create dynamic learning environments that motivate students.** Build on ideas for developing learning experiences that engage and motivate students such as culturally responsive program design and teaching methods; integrative, project-based design; formative assessment and feedback; peer-to-peer support; and active-learning techniques.
- **Leverage technology.** Expand your use of technology to motivate students, keep them engaged, and increase learning; use technology to increase your own professional connectedness to peers.

## LODGING

Guest room rates are \$129/night plus taxes for standard rooms and \$139/night plus taxes for premium rooms. Reservations may be placed by calling the Doubletree at **(800) 996-0510** and referencing the group code: G2C.

The reservation deadline is 6/29/2012. It's possible that the block could sell out, so we encourage you to make reservations as soon as possible.

Group rates will be honored July 21 through July 24. A limited number of rooms are available at the group rate on July 25<sup>th</sup>, subject to space availability. If you are interested in staying over the night of July 25, you should make your reservations as soon as possible.

Check-in time is 3:00 pm and check-out time is 12:00 pm.

**CANCELLATION POLICY:** At the time of booking, a credit card is required to guarantee the reservation. Cancellations are allowed up to 72 hours prior to your arrival date.

## GROUND TRANSPORTATION

*Taxi:* A taxi should cost approximately \$31.00 plus tip from Portland International Airport to the Doubletree, plus \$1.00 for each additional passenger.

*Shuttle Service:* Airporter shuttles, off-airport rental car shuttles and reserved vehicles are found in the section of the lower roadway closest to the garage. Blue Star Downtown Express shuttle is \$14 one way and \$24 round trip.

*TriMet's MAX Light Rail:* Board the MAX Red line toward City Center, disembarking at the Lloyd Center/NE 11th Avenue MAX station. Tickets must be purchased prior to boarding and cost \$2.40 for one Adult All-Zone pass.

*Car:* Overnight self-parking at the Doubletree is complimentary for conference attendees.

***Please make every effort to secure a flight departure in accordance with the conference's 2 p.m. conclusion.***