

Costa Rica | February 28 – March 2, 2018



# Call For Proposals

## CCIS 28th Annual Conference

### Creating Sustainability in Education Abroad

The College Consortium for International Studies (CCIS) invites proposals for the 28th Annual Conference, “Creating Sustainability in Education Abroad” held from Wednesday, February 28 through Friday, March 2, 2018 in Costa Rica. Optional pre-conference site visits to 2 local host institutions are available as two-day trip on Monday, February 26, 2018 and Tuesday, February 27, 2018.

Proposals are due on **Friday, September 1, 2017**

This February, join us to explore innovative frameworks for creating sustainability in education abroad. The concept of sustainability will be examined within a broad and holistic context encompassing academic, programmatic, socio-economic, organizational and individual dimensions.

In these fast-changing times when we all have a mandate to do more with less and our global social and economic climate is in a state of constant flux and unpredictability, how do we make our offices, programs and missions sustainable so we can continue to promote education abroad as a means to foster global citizenship and cross-cultural engagement?

Successful conference sessions will encourage collaborative and actionable dialogue in an interactive format. Proposals will be evaluated on their alignment with the conference themes, as well as the inclusion of original perspectives and current hot topics and best practices that will inspire dialogue and action. Submission Deadline:

#### Themes & sub-themes

1. Sustaining Education Abroad in a Changing Global Environment
  - a. Creating education abroad growth amid a current trend towards U.S. isolationism
  - b. Building and growing education abroad programs amid real and perceived global threats
  - c. Integrating experiential learning and civic engagement in education abroad
2. Creating Fiscal Sustainability for Education Abroad
  - a. Leveraging education abroad growth through grants and external funding
  - b. Sustaining education abroad program post grants and external funding
  - c. Building financially sustainable education abroad program models
3. Incorporating Environmental and Social Sustainability into Education Abroad
  - a. Developing education abroad programs with low economic/environmental footprints
  - b. Creating interdisciplinary education abroad programs that enhance social well-being and economic development
4. Maintaining Institutional, Professional, and Personal Sustainability
  - a. Maintaining your education abroad programming objectives through institutional change
  - b. Going green – reducing your office footprint and maximizing your long-term impact
  - c. Promoting self-sustainability in our professional and personal growth

Each session should be 50 minutes and have two to three presenters or facilitators (including at least one presenter from a college/university). Sessions should not be used to promote individual organizations or programs.

#### Complete submissions will include:

1. Session Theme
2. Session Title
3. Session Type
  - a. Workshop: Facilitators guide attendees through participatory and hands-on learning process with identifiable learning outcomes.
  - b. Presentation: Presentation should include several opportunities for participant engagement.
  - c. Fireside Chats: Facilitators introduce a topic and drive the discussion, interactive peer-to-peer format drives content in real-time. Max attendees 15-20.
  - d. Panel: Presentation includes two or three presenters at most and provides an opportunity for each panelist to present for maximum of 10 minutes before opening up the session for discussion.
4. Abstract

The abstract will serve as the session description in the conference program. It should not exceed 150 words and should include the session learning objectives, target audience, and intended conversation outcome.
5. Session Proposal

The proposal will detail for the selection committee the approach and delivery methods, intended learning objectives, and target audience including level of expertise. This is the submitter's opportunity to relay the compelling or unique aspects of the submission. The proposal section should not exceed 400 words.

#### Submit CCIS Conference Proposal

Please contact CCIS with any questions, [info@ccisabroad.org](mailto:info@ccisabroad.org) or at (202) 223-0330. Please note that selected presenters are responsible for conference registration fees.