**NCDA COMMITTEE REPORT FORMAT**

**COUNSELOR EDUCATOR ACADEMY - CEA (in CAPS)**

**8/29/2023**

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**Committee Activities to Date**

* Solicited CEA 2023 applications: received 40 applications
* Committee sub-group reviewed and selected CEA 2023 cohort – 12 cohort members
* Notified 12 cohort members and confirmed attendance and notified NCDA as well
* Submitted a best practices in teaching career counseling panel to ACES – panel consisting of five CEA committee members; presentation accepted
* Planned and facilitated CEA in June 2023
	+ 11 participants
	+ Co-facilitators: Melinda Gibbons and Arden Szepe
	+ Multiple guest speakers
	+ Support from CEA committee: Tiffany Brooks, Suzy Wise, Jackie Peila-Shuster, Elif Balin
	+ Amazing feedback from cohort members (see below)
* Identified new chair (Arden Szepe) and co-chair (Jackie Peila-Shuster)

**Projected Plan/Work Completed through September 30**

* Follow-up with CEA 2023 cohort to ensure that they are working on their post-CEA projects

**NCDA CEA 2023 Evaluation**

11 Participants

Primary Facilitators: Melinda Gibbons and Arden Szepe

Guest Facilitators: Tiffany Brooks, Suzy Wise, Jackie Peila-Shuster, Elif Balin

Guest Speakers: Deandra Prescod, Melanie Reinersman, Lakeisha Matthews, David Ford







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| **How was your experience with the CEA facilitators?** |
| Absolutely incredible experience! |
| It was very enriching and validating! They provided wealth of knowledge. Simply amazing! |
| They were amazing! Very helpful, engaging, knowledgeable and supportive. They fostered true community in this space. |
| Excellent! Such wonderful, kind, creative, resourceful people! |
| They were wonderful!  |
| Very very positive |
| They were so helpful in facilitating the CEA meetings and being accessible and open about sharing how to enhance my work as a career counselor educator. |
| Excellent. Knowledgeable, responsive to group concerns that emerged: genuine |
| Very passionate and knowledgeable about teaching career development; very kind and created a sense of community for the CEA members |
| Fantastic |
| Great! They were both energetic and made the course engaging. They were also understand of circumstances.  |

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| **What was your favorite part of the CEA and why?** |
| Everything was my favorite! It was awesome! |
| My favorite part was the round table series. |
| Forming community with career counselor educator colleagues. Sharing ideas and resources. Roundtables. |
| Collaboration |
| The roundtables were great- good mix of discussion and idea sharing  |
| Connecting and discussing at round tables (and other parts) naturally |
| The roundtables; I appreciated the opportunity to connect with CEA alumni and facilitators, along with learning from members of the CEA cohort. |
| Roundtables |
| The roundtables were really helpful to hear my peers' ideas and also have Jamboard stickers to refer back to. |
| Discussion and connection with peers. Learning information and materials that I can use in my class. |
| I liked the round tables because I got to connect more with my cohort. |

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| **What would you change about the CEA and why?** |
| Nothing! |
| Nothing |
| More time on syllabus revision and sharing out. |
| NA |
| Perhaps a slightly longer buffer (an hour) between the end of the CEA and start of the conference  |
| Perhaps some example syllabi to review?  |
| Adding some workshop time for the yearlong projects. |
| I missed first day due to travel challenges. Wish there was some kind of record of introductions to access for that reason and future reviw  |
| I think Jamboard is doing this a little already, but I'm hoping there could be a collective google doc/spreadsheet of all the wonderful resources that people used (e.g., sometimes, people might mention a specific film/video clip that has been working really well for their class, and I would love to have access to them, too!) |
| Probably organize a resource list all were mentioned during CEA |
| I don’t think there’s much you can do about the timing, but it would be nice to have started a little later on the second day. |

Save the document, titling it: (Committee Name) Annual Year Report 2022-23 and submit electronically as an attachment to dpenn@ncda.org with a copy to your board liaison by **September 1, 2023**.