

NetVUE Professional Development Opportunities

NetVUE offers a wide range of professional development opportunities for faculty members, staff, and administrators at member institutions. These programs are funded through member dues and generous support from Lilly Endowment Inc., which means that they are available at little or no additional cost to members. Most of these programs are designed to take place on campus and are tailored to the needs and goals of the institution.

To foster conversations about vocation on your campus:



Host a **Vocation Workshop**, led by an experienced NetVUE facilitator, on a vocation-related topic that is developed in conversation with your institution. NetVUE will help identify the right leader and cover the costs of bringing that person to your campus to lead the workshop.

Participate in the **Big Read**. NetVUE will directly support member institutions that develop local campus projects to read a common text. Receive up to 20 free copies of the Big Read book, as well as resources and events throughout the year to support the planning and implementation of the Big Read program on your campus.

To explore how to launch or pivot a vocation-related project on your campus:

Request a **Consultation**, which brings an experienced NetVUE consultant to your campus to help you launch or make progress on vocation initiatives. The cost of the consultant's time and travel are covered by NetVUE. In partnership with a consultant, institutions as a whole—or smaller teams of leaders—can develop concrete plans to deepen and strengthen vocational work on their campus.

To learn more from and with another NetVUE institution:

Visit another campus through the **Campus Visit** program. A team of up to four persons from one NetVUE institution can receive funding to visit one or more NetVUE institutions to learn about particularly successful programming for students, professional development for faculty members and staff, fundraising endeavors, diversity initiatives, or other projects that might be adapted and developed.

Start a **Collaborative Read**. This program encourages faculty members, staff, and administrators to collaborate with their counterparts at one or more NetVUE institutions by reading together. Any individual or group at a NetVUE member institution can assemble a reading group and choose a vocation-related book of interest.



You can find out more about these programs and apply by visiting the website (<https://cic.edu/netvue-professional-development>) or e-mailing Rachael Baker (rbaker@cic.edu) to talk more about next steps for your campus.

NetVUE Summer Seminars

These offerings bring together small groups of participants, selected through competitive application, for intensive professional development in a setting marked by learning, conversation, and hospitality. Thanks to generous funding from Lilly Endowment Inc., CIC will cover most costs of participation for those individuals who are selected, including a generous travel stipend.

***For Faculty Members:* Teaching Vocational Exploration**

Designed for early- to mid-career faculty members, with the goal of strengthening the teaching of vocational exploration and initiating conversations about vocation and pedagogy with colleagues.

***For Staff:* Vocation Across Campus**

Open to full-time staff members—in any division—at the assistant director or director level or the equivalent. Participants will learn more about vocation and its importance for undergraduate students, develop programming to support vocational exploration, and cultivate a broader network of colleagues committed to supporting students' reflection and discernment.



***For Faculty Members and Staff:* Enhancing Vocational Exploration**

This seminar brings together a small group of educators who seek to contribute to the growing national conversation about vocation and calling. The typical nominee will have some experience of vocational reflection—whether through classroom teaching, working with students outside of the classroom setting, or reading and writing about vocation.



***For Emerging Leaders:* Institutional Leadership for Vocation**

Open to faculty members and staff who have taken on administrative roles and who would like to explore campus-wide projects that encourage vocational exploration. Participants will learn how vocational exploration and discernment can play a greater role across their institutions and in their approach to leadership.

***For Faculty Members:* Discipline-Specific Seminars**

This seminar encourages academics to consider the role of vocation within that academic field. Participants will develop a deeper understanding of the relationship of vocation to higher education, explore the uses and disadvantages of these concepts, and establish a broader network of colleagues committed to exploring vocation as an area of scholarship within their discipline.

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