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CREATE houses an innovative team of researchers, youth mentors, and professional development experts working with the region's teachers

The CREATE STEM Initiative

The CREATE STEM Success Initiative (CSSI) is a visionary collective effort linking UC San Diego faculty, staff and students and the San Diego education community in a shared effort to support K-20 STEM (science, technology, engineering and mathematics) education in the region.

California Reading Literature Project

The mission of the California Reading & Literature Project (CRLP) is to provide high-quality, standards-based professional development in reading and language instruction to help ensure that every California student PreK-12 achieves the highest standards of academic performance. Click here for current professional development offerings by the CRLP. To discuss program offerings by CRLP, contact Executive Director Deborah Costa-Hernandez at dcostahernandez@ucsd.edu or San Diego Regional Director Sarah Peterson at sgpeterson@ucsd.edu.

The San Diego Area Writing Project

The San Diego Area Writing Project (SDAWP) is one of 16 sites of the California Writing Project network dedicated to improving the teaching and learning of writing. Since 1977, SDAWP has been dedicated to the improvement of writing for all students and to the vision that student writing can be improved by the teaching of writing. To discuss program offerings by SDAWP, contact Director Kim Douillard at teachr0602@aol.com or Program Manager Carol Schrammel at sdawp@ucsd.edu.

STUDENT ACADEMIC PREPARATION PROGRAMS

CREATE hosts two important outreach programs that work directly with the region's first-generation college-bound students: the UC-funded Early Academic Outreach Program (EAOP) and the federally-funded TRIO Outreach Programs (including Upward Bound).

Both programs provide academic preparation programming and informational support to enhance students' preparation for admission to post secondary education. Both programs employ UC San Diego undergraduates as supporters to the region's students and counselors.

If you'd like to discuss how your own outreach effort might be shaped to have the most impact on student success, or evaluated for its impact on students, email Mica Pollock, CREATE Director (micapollock@ucsd.edu), or Susan Yonezawa, Associate Director (syonezawa@ucsd.edu).

The San Diego Writing Project

The San Diego Science Project is our region's site of the statewide science teacher professional network of the California Science Project. The San Diego Science Project (SDSP) works closely with the San Diego County Office of Education, the Reuben H. Fleet Science Center and other informal education institutions to provide a variety of long term, targeted professional development for preK-16 teachers throughout San Diego and Imperial Counties. The teacher-driven professional development includes institutes, workshops, and school site support. To discuss program offerings by SDSP, contact Director Kathryn Schulz at kschulz@ucsd.edu.

Math for America

Math for America San Diego (MfA SD) is a consortium of three public universities and five local school districts. The goal of the non-profit organization, housed in CREATE, is to improve the quality of mathematics teaching and learning in our region's low-income and high-need secondary schools. To discuss program offerings by MfA SD, contact Ovie Soto, Interim Director at osoto@ucsd.edu or Program Coordinator Susan Millen at smillen@ucsd.edu.

PROFESSIONAL LEARNING NETWORKS

Through grants secured in the CREATE STEM Success Initiative (CSSI), CREATE has launched new professional development networks serving the region's educators. These include:

The San Diego Math Network, an effort to link the region's math educators;

ONR-REAL, a network supporting science teachers to leverage San Diego and UC San Diego science into local classrooms;

CS-CaVE, an NSF-funded network working to increase computer science coursework in the region's schools and districts.

Smart Tech Use for Equity (with the San Diego Area Writing Project), which engages teachers in testing the pros and cons of specific uses of technology in classrooms;

#schooltalking, CREATE Director Mica Pollock's effort to share resources that can improve communications for equity in schools, districts, and education communities.

UNDERGRADUATE SERVICE LEARNING PROGRAMS

Are you a UC San Diego student seeking to leverage your own skills in local schools and youth-serving programs? CREATE supports a number of outreach projects linking UC San Diego undergraduates to local students.

Check out create.ucsd.edu/programs/undergraduates-service-learning-programs/index.html for more information.