

# Universal Design for Learning Optimizing Implementation: Community of Practice

Webinar - 8:30 AM - 10:30 AM

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This series is designed for the Local Education Agencies (LEAs) that were awarded Universal Design for Learning (UDL) Optimizing Implementation Grants from the PA Department of Education, Bureau of Special Education. The ultimate goal is to enhance the LEAs' use of UDL methodologies across all stakeholders (staff, student, family, administrator) through customized coaching and technical assistance resulting in a more robust continuum of services and improved least restrictive environment (LRE) outcomes for students with disabilities.

#### **Presenter:**

Nicole Tucker-Smith is cofounder and CEO of Lessoncast. an online platform for capturing and sharing effective teaching and learning practices. She consults with schools. districts, states, and teacher preparation programs to help educator communities customize professional learning experiences that showcase teacher development and instructional expertise. Nicole has served as an elementary and middle school teacher (in Alexandria City and Baltimore City Schools), supervisor of parent support services. assistant principal, and coordinator of systemwide professional development for Baltimore County Public Schools. She also led state-level initiatives for Johns Hopkins University (JHU) Center for Technology in Education and currently teaches in the JHU Administration and Supervision program. In addition, Nicole is an international presenter on Universal Design for Learning, a member of the CAST UDL Cadre, and she provides her professional development expertise to support implementation of UDL in PK-12 and higher education learning environments.

#### **Audience**

Grantee implementation teams from Achievement House Cyber Charter School, California Area School District, Lehigh Valley Charter High School for the Arts, and Susquehanna Township School District, and Intermediate Unit TaC

## **Objectives:**

- Support the development/enhancement of a shared vision for improvement (among stakeholders) to enhance equity, accessibility, and student outcomes
- Promote expert learning by removing barriers within the educational environment
- Increase educators' responsiveness to learner variability by equipping them with tools to provide multiple means of engagement, representation, and action and expression
- Enhance administrative knowledge of UDL to build systemic change through evaluation of educator effectiveness and implementation of successful student programming that is equitable to ALL

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