CREATIVE PROBLEM SOLVING WORKSHOP

Explore innovative means of creative action through individual style.

Offered by Center for Creative Learning LLC through FPSPI
Graduate Credit Available through University of Wisconsin Lacrosse

June 11-13, 2017
University of Wisconsin La Crosse

This 3 day training will focus on the Creative Problem Solving process during a fast-paced, hands-on, minds-on workshop. This powerful and practical framework of tools and resources for thinking creatively and critically, solving complex, open-ended challenges and problems, and managing change will become a way of life. Our CPS 6.1™ framework builds on more than five decades of research, development, and practical application worldwide in schools and other non-profit settings, as well as in corporations. Creative Problem Solving provides tools that can be applied successfully by problem solvers of all ages.

Benefits of This Training

- Create fresh new ideas and put them to work immediately.
- Turn your "good" ideas into real action.
- Understand your own problem solving style when solving problems and managing change, whether working alone or in a group.
- Acquire creative thinking skills that can be used in the classroom or in personal life.
- Learn how problem solving can inspire students to think deeper and be more engaged.

Location & Times
This workshop will be held on the campus of University of Wisconsin La Crosse. Residence halls are available ($50 per night in Reuter Hall, which includes AC and a kitchen) or local hotels are nearby. Housing and meals are the responsibility of the participants.

Registration, Fees, and Payment
$475 by registration deadline May 19, 2017
Payment due by May 24, 2017
Additional fees and registration required for graduate credit option.
https://www.uwlax.edu/conted/creative-problem-solving/

Click the button to register or register through CreativeLearning.com.

Presenters:
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Perhaps you’ve heard that there’s more to brainstorming than just brainstorming? The Center for Creative Learning’s 3-day workshop will explore the facets of Creative Problem Solving and the tools for generating ideas and focusing on best solutions. **When is the right time to generate solutions? When is the right time to frame the problem? When should action start?** Creative Problem Solving’s flexible framework models a process that can be added to anyone’s toolbox of learning and transfer into real skills whether in the classroom or beyond the classroom walls. Participants will learn the framework by solving a group problem guided by expert presenters.

**SCAMPER, WIBAI/WIBNI, Paired-Comparison Analysis,** and many more thinking tools will be introduced, modeled, and practiced through collaboration with others. These tools have been used around the globe for decades with students and adults of all ages, in all academic areas and all problem solving arenas, to boost high-level problem solving! Extension ideas on how the tools can be used in a variety of settings will be provided for participants, including resources for teachers which can apply directly to the classroom.

Over the past decades, Dr. Ed Selby and his colleagues, including Dr. Donald Treffinger, have developed, perfected, and shared Creative Problem Solving with thousands of educators and through their books, research articles, online modules, and face to face workshops such as this one.

**Benefits for all:**

- Determine attributes and misconceptions of creativity
- Understand and implement guidelines to promote divergent and convergent thinking
- Complete a problem solving style assessment to raise awareness of your own problem solving style and how understanding of style impacts problem solving
- Explore 10 thinking skills for generating ideas or focusing on the best solution
- Generate higher-level thinking
- Strengthen analytical skills
- Enhance synergy with cooperative brainstorming

**Benefits for the Classroom:**
Students are continually facing problems, those of today and in their future. This session is guaranteed to enhance any academic subject and foster high student engagement in your lessons! You will leave inspired, energized, and armed with exciting ways to infuse problem solving into lessons you teach!

- Create an environment where all students are empowered for engagement in the problem solving process
- Prepare students for a rapidly changing world
- Integrate thinking skills across the curriculum in every lesson
- Jump-start students’ critical and creative thinking