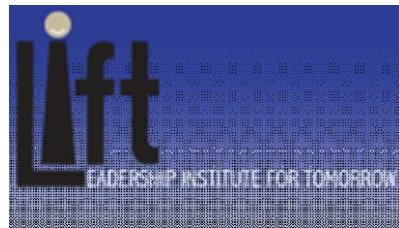


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Dear Colleague,



Greetings from CSU Fullerton! Having left as Chancellor of Coast Colleges back in 2011, I have been teaching in the CSU Fullerton's EDD program in Community College leadership. I am sure you are keenly aware of the critical importance of quality excellent leadership. For that reason, a group of us started the Leadership Institute For Tomorrow (LIFT) last year. We find that growing future leaders is not only a responsibility but also a way for us to pay forward utilizing our own leadership experiences. We hope you'll join us! Please take a look at the attached electronic brochure.

Unlike other institutes, LIFT is dedicated to identifying, mentoring and cultivating the emerging young and diverse professionals in the higher education systems. I know you can spot someone who may be younger, first-generation manager, and full of potential to become a wonderful senior leader in the future if only they are groomed, developed, and mentored from early stages in their careers.

I look to you in investing a few of those emerging diverse leaders from your institution. They will develop unique leadership skills and perspectives from LIFT. They will also be connected with other colleagues from the CSU and UC systems. Our leadership model is dynamic, impactful and transformative. With some modest funding from the Henry Luce Foundation last year, we are still able to offer a few more scholarships to some participants. I would like to offer each of your sponsored participants a \$500 scholarship. But please let me know early so I can reserve the spots for you. Please forward the brochure to other leaders at your institutions and ask them to also identify and sponsor entry level leaders. LIFT 2016 will take place from Jan 4-8, 2016 in Fullerton, California.

I hope you'll also join us on the LIFT faculty team and collectively we can grow excellent leaders for the future! If you have any questions, please contact me at [dcurrie@fullerton.edu](mailto:dcurrie@fullerton.edu) or [lift@fullerton.edu](mailto:lift@fullerton.edu)

Warm regards, Ding-Jo

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