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Sandbox Webinar Series

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Sandbox Session*: 9:30am PST / 10:30am MST / 12:30pm EST

Webinar: 10am PST / 11am MST / 1pm EST

Developing an Equity Competency in Sustainable Food Systems Education: Exploring a New Model and Sharing Teaching Activities

Speakers: Will Valley, Pamela Koch, Sharon Akabas, Joanne Burke, Nicole Tichenor Blackstone

Addressing social inequities has been recognized as foundational to transforming food systems. Activists and scholars have critiqued food movements as lacking an orientation towards addressing issues of social justice. To address issues of inequity, sustainable food systems education (SFSE) programs will have to increase students’ equity-related capabilities. In this webinar, we will present our findings from a recent study (Valley et al. 2020; Elem Sci Anth, 8(1)) in which we reviewed SFSE program documents to determine the extent to which SFSE programs in the USA and Canada address equity. We will then discuss the dimensions of our proposed equity competency model and provide examples of activities from our teaching practices that support the development of future professionals capable of dismantling inequity in the food system. The session will close with time allocated to open discussion among webinar participants.

*We will start with a ‘sandbox session’ for reflection and ideation based on the previous webinar by Dr. Sweeney Windchief on indigenous knowledge, cultural intuition, and story work.

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This sandbox webinar series for all Sustainable Food Systems educators provides professional development opportunities to gain, enhance, and share knowledge and skills regarding two pedagogical issues of this time:

(1) Justice, Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion (JEDI) and,

(2) Online teaching

Field experts will lead each webinar with the sharing of equity-minded pedagogical innovations. Sandbox sessions will facilitate space for reflection, brainstorming, ideation, and sharing of practices.

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