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Abstract:

This session, featuring students, faculty, and community partner presenters as well as a critique by Liz Hollander, former Executive Director of National Campus Compact and consultant for this program, will report on the inaugural Azusa Pacific University Community Scholars Program designed to build community through broadly collaborative research. Using participatory research techniques adapted from international community development models as well as urban planning methods, representatives from local community agencies, faculty, students and staff of Azusa Pacific University will research current realities and future possibilities of community-university and community-community partnerships. The use of Federal Work-Study students as research assistants assigned to community partners is key to the long-term sustainability of this program.