Call for Proposals for the Sakai Vancouver Conference Conference dates: May 30 - June 2, 2006

Proposal Guidelines

For more information, please visit www.sakaiproject.org/vancouver.

Preparation for proposal submission:

- Deadlines?
- Proposals must be submitted by: March 3, 2006.
- You will be notified by March 31, 2006 if your proposal has been accepted.
- Who can present? Anybody within the community is welcome to present.
- The title and abstract (50 words, max.) from your proposal form will be used, perhaps verbatim -- in the conference program. Therefore, make sure they accurately reflect the content and purpose of your session. Keep in mind that your audience will consist of current and potential Sakai Educational Partner Program members, the Open Source Portfolio members, and attendees new to both projects.
- The **description** (150-words, max.) of your session should be addressed to the program committee for their review of your proposal. Therefore, in your session description, please describe specifically what technology, learning situation, research process, implementation problem, assessment program, etc. that you plan on talking about. Secondly, explain what your audience will learn from your session.
- Tell us in what way your topic is unique, or valuable, or proven, or timely why should we choose your proposal for the program?

We will also ask you to think carefully about your **audience**, developers, faculty, tech support, administrators, researchers -- and your **goals** for the session. Depending on your audience, session proposals should address not only **HOW**, but also **WHY** and **WHEN**. The more practical, focused, informative, and action-oriented your session, the more valuable it will be for this conference. Each session should use visuals, and provide handouts when appropriate. Allow ample time for questions. Each session will have a convener who will make sure your session runs well and ends on time.

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Types of Presentations

For the Sakai project, this is a year of community building, implementations (and all that implies), and exploration of the frontiers of innovation for the Sakai Collaboration and Learning Environment. Session presenters should incorporate these themes into their presentations where ever possible.

Before submitting a proposal, we strongly encourage you to download a sample submission form (available soon) which will help you prepare your text prior to using the online submission form.

Presentation formats include:

- Panel Session This type of session typically brings together panelists from diverse background to address a topic from multiple points of view.
- Workshop This type of session is highly interactive, relaying skills as well as information to attendees.
- Discussion/Roundtable- This type of session involves a very brief presentation of a topic and immediately opens for discussion of the topic by attendees.
- Lecture/Presentation- This type of session consists mostly of presenting information to the attendees. Sufficient time for follow-up questions is included.
- Showcase/Poster session- Please note that we will not be soliciting proposals for Showcase/Poster sessions using this call for proposals form. We do, however, encourage you to create a poster that showcases your campus implementation or toolset. You can use the template we will provide (sometime in March) or use your own design. We will provide more details in March.

Use the best format to achieve your goals and provide a meaningful experience for your participants. The program committee may suggest alternate formats for session based upon time and room constraints and other related session proposals

Technical Demos:

Is a Technical Demonstration a more appropriate option for you? The technical demo reception will be held on the evening of Thursday, June 1st. As in the past, we plan to provide each demonstrator with table space and, if equipment resources allow, an overhead projector and screen to project your demonstration. This event has become one of the most exciting events of the conference. Space is very limited, so get your demo requests in early. To submit a Technical Demo request, select the "Technical Demo" option when completing the Call for Proposals form.

Conference Tracks

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Management & Campus Implementation

This track highlights issues of concern to those managing current or upcoming pilot implementations; campus impact and implications; project assessment implications; training; coordination and leadership; and institutional change. This is appropriate for implementations of Sakai, OSP, or any interest regarding other strategies for integration of Sakai tools.

Research and Collaboration

The Research and Collaboration track will focus on using the Sakai Collaboration and Learning Environment (CLE) and its tools such as OSP or Melete, can be used to support research collaborations. We are looking for existing examples, current or upcoming projects, uses cases, and plans.

Technology and User Interface

The Technology and User Interface track will offer sessions, panels, and round-tables that cover features and requirements; technical challenges and lessons learned for installing and implementing Sakai and integrated tools such as OSP, Samigo, and Melete; contributing code; tech support; commercial tech support; future releases; usability, user-interface design, and user-testing.

Teaching, Learning, and Assessment

The Teaching, Learning, and Assessment track will offer opportunuties to share experiences with and plans for using Sakai or OSP for teaching and learning. These sessions will include presentations on the impact of OSP (or portfolios in general) on teaching practices; discussions regarding the value of a Collaborative Learning Environment (CLE) and its integrated toolset for students and the learning process; assessment management systems for tracking student progress toward learning goals; online learning using Sakai/OSP; and supporting reflective practices.

Sakai Foundation, Community Source & Governance

These sessions will focus on the transition from the current organization to the Sakai Foundation as the operational, governance, and legal framework for Sakai and OSPI. Issues and process around open and community source licensing and copyright will also be covered here.

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Call for Proposals -- Submission Form (part 1) Start Proposal Details Contact Information Confirmation

Required fields	
First Name: *	Email: *
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Select the first type of proposal to	be submitted:
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discussion, lecture, and showcase (· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
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Call for Proposals -- Submission Form (part 2) Start Proposal Details Contact Information Confirmation

Proposal for Conference Presentation Select the most appropriate Presentation Track and Format for your presentation from the options provided below. Please note that this general categorization will be used by the program committee for the proposal review and conference planning process, and may not be the classifications or titles used for the final conference program.						
* = Required fields						
Presentation Title * (75 max chars)						
Presentation Abstract * (50 word max.)						
Presentation Description: * (150 word max.)						
Primary Presenter * (primary contact for this proposal)						
Brief Text Bio * (Primary presenter only - for online and print program (50 word max.)						
Co-Presenter(s) (list other presenters involved in this session, separate each name by a comma)						
Co-Presenter's bio (short summary/bio for other presenters) 100 word max.						
Project URL						

Presentation track: * see sidebar for <u>track descriptions</u>					
	Management & Campus Implementation				
	Research & Collaboration				
	Sakai Foundation, Community Source & Governance				
	Caching, Learning & Assessment				
	Technology				
	ting an interest level for at least one of the audience groups listed below. For example, a session on your to Implementors and of medium interest to Senior Administration, etc.				
Developers	low medium high				
UI Developers	low medium high				
Faculty	low C medium C high				
Faculty Development	low medium high				
Implementors	low C medium C high				
Instructional Designe					
Managers	low C medium C high				
System Administrato					
University Administra					
User Support	low medium high				
Presentation Format *	see sidebar for format descriptions				
	Discussion Lecture Panel Workshop (How-to)				
Room setup desired: *	We will do our best to accomodate your request				
	classroom (rows of narrow tables w/chairs) theater (rows of chairs only) conference (roundtables or conference room setup)				
Presentation Length: * Times are not guaranteed. We will do our best to match each session with an appropriate time block					
	© 30 minutes © 90 minutes © 120 minutes				
Availability Please check the days that you CANNOT present due to a travel conflict					
	I am NOT available:				
Tuesday, May 30					
Wednesday, May 31					
	Thursday, May 1				
	Friday, May 2				
	Click on Add this proposal to submit this proposal item and continue with the submission process.				
	Add this proposal				

Call for Proposals -- Submission Form (part 3) Start Proposal Details Contact Information Confirmation

*Select next step:
You may add another proposal or complete the contact information and submit your proposals to the Sakai Conference Programming committee.

Add a demo proposal
Add a presentation proposal
Complete required contact information and submit my proposal(s)

Call for Proposals -- Submission Form (part 4)

Proposal for Technology Demo: The technology demos will take place limited.	ce on Thursday, June 1st. Demonstration tables will	be set up around the	perimeter of the reception room, Space will be
* = Required fields			
Tool or Product Name *			
Demo Description * (50 words max.)			
Demo Presenter(s) *		,	
Project URL			
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Call for Proposals -- Submission Form (part 5)

