

WHAT'S A CONFRATUTE?

Confratute, a professional development **conference** and summer institute with a good deal of **fraternity** mixed in celebrates its **43th** year this summer. With staff and participants from across the United States and the world, Confratute has grown in size and diversity as a unique educational experience. Due to the Corona-19 Pandemic, this year's Confratute will be entirely virtual and you can register soon at <http://www.confratute.uconn.edu/>.

The continued success of our program is due to our commitment to:

- Differentiating instruction, high-end learning, and enrichment teaching. All students can benefit from enjoyable and challenging learning opportunities and that learning is maximized when we consider each student's abilities, interests, learning styles, and preferred modes of expression. Our research demonstrates that a strength-based approach is the best way to both challenge our most advanced learners and to close the achievement gap for at risk youngsters.
- Selecting the very best professionals who spend the majority of their time directly involved with schools, teachers, and kids. Our focus on practical skills and personalizing the learning process has resulted in nothing short of superlative evaluations over the last several years.
- A unique learning environment—although we will be unable to create the informal learning environment that has made our in-person environment so unique, all faculty will be available virtually to answer questions and recommend resources. We hope that this opportunity will create a virtual community of learners willing to put aside the roles and responsibilities of their everyday jobs to become totally immersed with others in an atmosphere designed to promote acceptance, trust, scholarship, hard work, and fun.

We believe that everyone has something to contribute to educational improvement and talent development. Please join us at **Confratute 2021** and create a vision and the skills to make the vision a reality in your schools.



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