

Program of the Year Award

The Carnegie Project on the Education Doctorate (CPED)

POY 2023: *From Transformation to Impact: EdD Programmatic Successes*

Transform in Latin (*transformare*) means to “change in shape, metamorphose.” The verb is a combination of “trans” which means *across or to go beyond* and “form” which means *to shape, fashion, build* (<https://www.etymonline.com>). Over the last 15 years of CPED, members have reshaped and refashioned the EdD to go beyond traditional doctoral preparation toward a professional practice doctorate. Members have also sought to prepare leaders who can transform their field of practice just as a PhD transforms their discipline (Council of Graduate Schools, 2006).

CPED 2022 Convening Call

The Carnegie Project on the Education Doctorate (CPED) is pleased to invite submissions for the 2023 Program of the Year (POY) Award. This award is given to one or more outstanding CPED member institutions whose programming demonstrates excellence, innovation, impact, and alignment with the CPED Framework to promote continuous improvement within varied local contexts. We seek programmatic innovations that are noteworthy for *you*, that have been impactful for your institution and your students – and that you feel would benefit other CPED member institutions.

Building upon the theme of the 2022 Convening, the POY 2023 award will center around **transformation, ways in which an institution has changed in shape, and gone beyond a former “form” to refashion EdD doctoral preparation**. Our goal is to extend the learning that takes place at the convening into 2023 as award applicants consider how their institutions have transformed the EdD in ways that further equity-minded practice and, specifically, have worked well for them and the communities they serve. Following the original intent of CPED to develop “proofing sites” (Imig et al., 2009), this award acknowledges a CPED-influenced program that is exemplary in how future “stewards of practice” are prepared to foster a more just and equitable world, be that in their local communities or across the globe. The winner will be announced at the CPED Fall Convening.

The Program of the Year Award is guided by a committee representing member institutions. Each year this committee determines a focal point for the award, as well as [quality indicators](#) that will guide its selection process. The quality indicators are described in a [rubric](#) that includes components for the preliminary and final applications.

POY 2023 launches a new focus of the award, drawing on and extending the inspiration and learning that begins at the convening. This year’s convening theme of **transformation** drew more exchange applications than ever before; each of the presenting programs are well positioned to craft their exchange initiative into a POY 2023 application.

Programs of the Year are not necessarily “best” programs. Rather, we seek applicants who have developed **transformative initiatives that have been impactful for their community**. POY award winners serve as models for learning and as beacons for member institutions. Award recipients and documentation of their journeys become part of CPED’s institutional knowledge base. There are a variety of ways in which award recipients can contribute to this knowledge base: presentations, articles, and supporting future year POY awards through participation on the POY Committee. Details on the submission and evaluation process are below.

The application process has two phases. Phase one consists of an initial application that explains how the program transformation meets institutional and CPED alignment *as a condition for an invitation to submit a full application*. Those who meet this threshold will be invited to continue to phase two and submit a full application, focused only on the transformation you wish to highlight and the impact that transformation has had on equity and social justice. A full timeline for POY 2023 is as follows:

February 6 th	Initial applications due
March 6 th	Invitations for final applications issued
June 5 th	Final applications due
August 1 st	Award Decision
October 2023	Award Presentation
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Presentation Video for Award Ceremony • Exchange Session

Interested but want to know more? Two separate information sessions on the application process will be held on [Thursday, November 10th](#) at 1 p.m. ET and [Wednesday, December 7](#) at 1 p.m. ET. Please click the date links for Zoom information.

All submissions should be made online at the link below.

Closing date for completed Initial Application is February 6, 2023, 11:50 PST

[SUBMIT INITIAL APPLICATION](#)

Imig, D., Perry, J.A., & Syed, S. (2009). Creating rubrics for the assessment of the Ed.D.: Narrative report to the Spencer Foundation. Carnegie Project on the Education Doctorate.

Application for Program of the Year: Recognizing EdD Program Excellence, Innovation, Impact, and Alignment with the CPED Framework

The Program of the Year (POY) award is given annually to one or more institutions whose CPED-influenced programs show themselves to be distinctive, innovative, and useful to other CPED members. In other words, this award is not intended to identify a so-called “best” program among CPED members, but rather to offer evidence of a proofing site that lifts up and features a program’s approaches and components that might stimulate change and innovation among other CPED-influenced programs.

The POY award identifies doctoral programs that have: a) adopted a mission, outcomes, curriculum, and practices that respond to its institutional context; b) integrated the CPED principles and design concepts through all aspects of its program including, but not limited to, admissions, curriculum, signature pedagogies, assessments, and DiPs; c) instituted transformation - processes and/or practices that may cause CPED members to grapple with something new or understand something differently; d) demonstrated evidence of quality, continuous improvement, and meaningful impact on students’ practice and their communities; and, e) demonstrated engagement and leadership within the CPED consortium. POY 2023 will build on the 2022 convening theme of transformation - ways in which an institution has changed in shape and gone beyond a former “form” to refashion EdD doctoral preparation. The award provides a means for an institution’s program(s) to achieve distinction while simultaneously allowing the consortium to document and track long-term efforts to maintain the integrity and fidelity of CPED-influenced EdD programs.

The POY selection process begins with an initial application that reviews applications for institutional and programmatic consistency with [the CPED Framework](#).

Institutions may submit more than *one application per CPED-influenced EdD program* if there are significant distinctions between programs; however, multiple applications from a single institution will require a clear explanation of program design differences.

Eligible applicants need to have graduated students from their CPED influenced program component described in the application - in which the described transformation took place. Applications will be examined for concrete evidence that the innovation has impacted the institution and its communities.

The program of the year evaluation process involves four stages.

Stage 1: Preliminary Applications – due February 6th

Stage 2: Review of Initial Applications – invitations for full applications out by March 6th

Stage 3: Full Application – due June 5th

Stage 4: Selection of Awardee – August 1st

Finalist(s) will be evaluated by the POY committee and the awardee will be recommended to the CPED Board of Directors.

The institution that offers the selected program(s) will be notified by August 1st and will be asked to produce a short video to be shown at the October convening. The award winner will also be featured in CPED publications and events and invited to present at the October convening.

Closing date for completed Initial Application

February 6th, 11:59 PM PST

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