



## Federations On Fire

### NENA on Fire! Pedagogy Meets Research

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Did you know that NENA Federation hosts a series of **'Rise and Grind'** sessions on Zoom facilitated by faculty members in NENA and guest presenters from other Federations? Watch the amazing session where *pedagogy meets research*, **'Research with Undergraduate Students'**. The two distinguished speakers, Drs. Criscione-Naylor and Leung, shared insightful and practical strategies for faculty members to collaborate with undergraduates in developing research projects. Emphasizing the theme "Ignite Your Research with Undergraduate Talent," Dr. Criscione-Naylor highlighted the significance of research for undergraduate students and outlined her 15-week research development framework designed to foster their success. Dr. Leung, in his presentation, introduced two effective methodological approaches, GI-WA-WA and PLACE, that faculty can employ to cultivate research excellence among undergraduates from the ground up. Both speakers underscored the importance of recognizing the challenges and barriers undergraduate students face when required to conduct research, reframing these experiences as opportunities to discover students' potential and support them in achieving their goals.

**Ignited by:** Dr. Noel Criscione-Naylor, Stockton University, and Dr. Daniel Leung, The Hong Kong Polytechnic University (Guest Presenter)

