ASEE 2021 CONFERENCE - ABSTRACTS NOW OPEN!

The First-Year Programs Division (FPD) seeks paper and workshop proposals on topics related to FPD's primary objective: scholarly work relating to educational activities associated with first-year engineering students, including freshmen and transfer students.

- **FPD Call for Papers for ASEE 2021**
  - Note that FPD submissions must follow the ASEE Abstract Format guidelines! Due Oct. 12. Details in the [author's kit](https://sites.asee.org/fpd/)
  - FPD requires detailed abstracts which are typically one full page of text (600-750 words), including motivation, brief background w/ relevant theory, methods/assessment, and results (or anticipated results)

- **Questions? Contact the 2021 Program Chair for the First-Year Programs Division, Tim Hinds - hinds@msu.edu**

### COMMITTEE ON DIVERSITY, EQUITY, AND INCLUSION

FPD was asked to share the following CDEI news/updates:

- First CDEI meeting for all members & delegates will be on 11/5 & 11/6
- **Call for Member-at-Large Nominations:** If you are interested in a leadership position with CDEI or know someone who would be great, please email nominations to [elitzler@uw.edu](mailto:elitzler@uw.edu) within the next 2-3 weeks
- Call for CDEI Proposals and to submit proposals, click [here](https://sites.asee.org/fpd/)
- FYI: #ScholarStrike happened on 9/8 and 9/9 to protest police violence and racial injustice. Leaders of the strike are suggesting using the time for a teach-in. [Sign up](https://forms.gle/8NdKJzPvCyHvcqpG7) to be part of the Strike and receive emails about teach-in suggestions, social media materials, and videos. The [#ShutDownSTEM site](https://www.shutdownstem.org/) also has great resources.

### FPD VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Would you like to be more involved with FPD? We are always looking for volunteers to review FPD abstracts and paper submissions! It is a great way to learn more about recent topics relevant to the FPD membership.

We are also forming two new ad hoc committees for 2020-2021:

- Community Outreach Committee
- Diversity Equity & Inclusion Committee

If you would like to volunteer to review abstracts or papers with FPD or to volunteer for either of these new committees, please click on and fill out the Google Form: [here](https://forms.gle/8NdKJzPvCyHvcqpG7)