

IPE RETWEET

A Recap of Recent Enrichment Events

The Center for Interprofessional Education (IPE) serves as an incubator of innovation, collaboration, and excellence, dedicated to preparing the next generation of integrative, whole-person practitioners and professionals. Read on for an overview of our most recent event.

Dear SCU Community,

The SCU Center for Interprofessional Education (IPE) is proud to have hosted the Communicating for Collaboration IPE learning event on March 7, 2025. This dynamic learning experience was designed to strengthen interprofessional communication and teamwork in error disclosure, integrating conventional and complementary health practices to enhance patient outcomes, trust, and a culture of accountability within healthcare teams.



More than 100 students and 13 dedicated faculty facilitators from diverse programs—including Ayurveda, Acupuncture and Chinese Herbal Medicine, Chiropractic, Occupational Therapy, and Physician Assistant Studies—participated in this immersive experience. Through engaging team-based case scenarios and interactive simulations, participants deepened their understanding of collaborative care, reaffirming SCU's commitment to advancing integrative, whole-person healthcare excellence across Southern California and beyond.

The success of this initiative reflects the dedication, expertise, and passion of our esteemed faculty facilitators, whose guidance was instrumental in creating a meaningful and impactful learning experience. We extend our sincere gratitude to the following individuals for their invaluable contributions:

Acupuncture and Chinese Herbal Medicine (DAcCHM)

- Henry Hwang, DC, MAOM, L.Ac
- Sivarama P. Vinjamury, DACM, MPH
- Vanessa Smith, DACM, BS, L.Ac

Ayurveda (AYU)

- Naomi Boas, BA, MA, CAP, CMT

Chiropractic (DC)

- Saharut "Sunny" Nilchavee, DC, MEd, BS

Foundational Health Sciences

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Occupational Therapy (OT)

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As we continue to expand interprofessional education at SCU, we welcome opportunities for collaboration and innovation. To learn more about the SCU Center for Interprofessional Education or explore ways to engage in future IPE initiatives, please feel free to contact us at ipe@scuhs.edu.

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