

# Supervisor Training & Implications for High Impact Practices

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# Pepperdine University

Malibu, California (830 acres)

Private four-year religiously - affiliated institution

Undergraduate Enrollment: 3,500

Graduate Enrollment: 4,000

Tuition & Fees: \$58,000



# Student Employment @ Pepp

- 3 full-time & one part-time staff member
- Standalone Office reporting through the VP of Student Affairs
- 1,900 students work throughout the academic year
  - This academic year (due to COVID), 900 students have worked remotely
- 300+ departments & student supervisors
- JLD, Community Service, Supervisor & Student Training



# High Impact Practices (Kuh, 2008)

First-Year Experience - **Intellectual Experiences** - Learning Communities -  
Writing-Intensive Courses - **Collaborative Assignments** - **Undergraduate Research**  
- **Diversity/Global Learning** - ePortfolios - **Service Learning** - **Internships** -  
Capstone Projects

“Not just a job”

“Earn more than a paycheck”

*High-Impact Educational Practices: What They Are, Who Has Access to Them, and Why They Matter*, by George D. Kuh (AAC&U, 2008).

# NACE: Career Readiness Competencies

Critical Thinking/Problem Solving

Oral/Written Communication

Teamwork/Collaboration

Digital Technology

Leadership

Professionalism/Work Ethic

Career Management

Global/Intercultural Fluency

**“Alone we can do so little; together we  
can do so much”  
- Helen Keller**



# Student Employee Supervisor Training

Varies based on the institution/college

- What needs do your supervisors have?
- What questions do you often receive from them?
- Do you experience any compliance issues?
- What about, student feedback regarding supervisors?

# Needs Based Assessment

How can we better support you?

What resources are lacking?

What are we doing well? What would you like to see more of?

(focus groups or surveys)

Wage/Hour Regulations

Job Postings/Job Descriptions

Sexual Harassment

Hiring/Onboarding

Mental Health Awareness

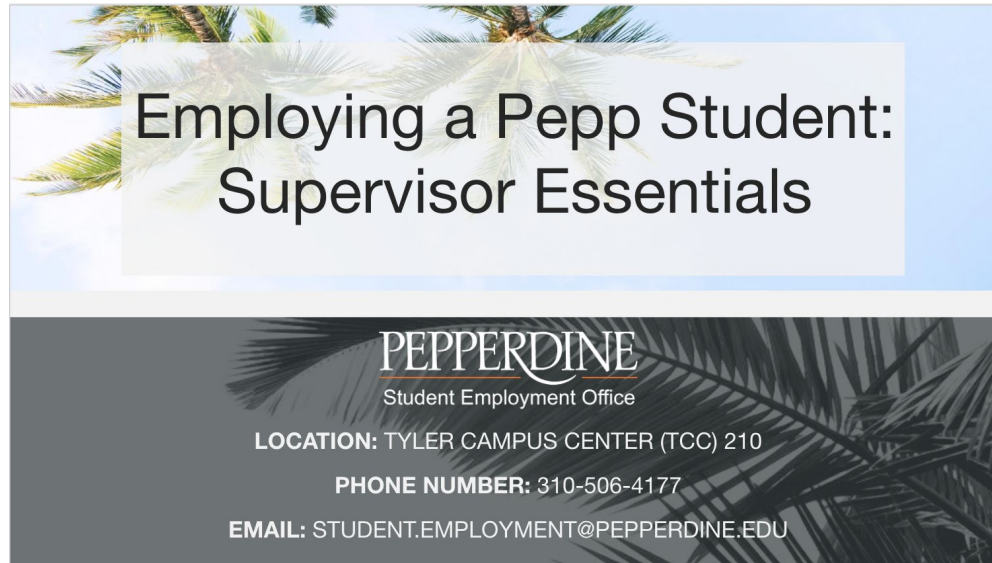
Conflict Management

Leadership/Mentorship

# Build Your Own Unique Program

Based off of the needs assessment, what patterns did you see?

What training can your department provide?





# Training Agenda

- Student Employment Overview
- Rules and Regulations
- Supervisor Expectations
- Hiring Process
- Timecard Approvals
- Onboarding New Student Employees
- Supporting Students Remotely
- Hire Module Demos

# **Additional Needs**

Are there colleagues within your college or university that you can tap for a training?

Mental Health Resources - Counseling Center or Student Health Center

Harassment - Title IX Office or Human Resources

Mentorship - School of Business or Human Resources

Conflict Management - Faculty with this knowledge (Straus Institute for Dispute Resolution)

General Work Study - Financial Aid

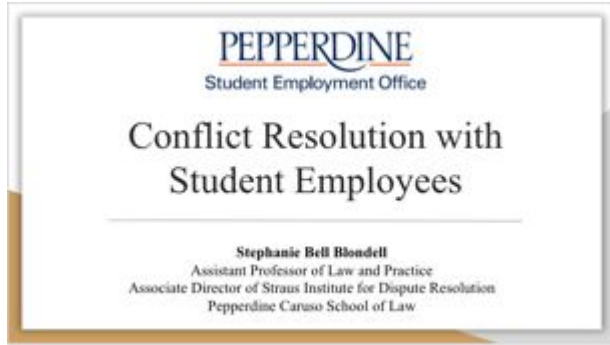
# Partnerships We Created



Human Resources

**Accessible Employment for  
Students with Disabilities**

Jennifer Baker & Sandra Harrison  
Office of Student Accessibility  
Pepperdine University  
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Straus Institute for Dispute  
Resolution

Office of Student Accessibility

# **This Work is Never Done: Partnerships we are hoping to create in the coming year**

Counseling Center: mental health in the workplace, stress management, etc.

Business Management Program: Provide more leadership training

Resilience Program: Coaching students who are struggling

# Sparking Interest in Your Program (Warning: This may cost \$\$)

What incentives can you provide to supervisors who attend sessions?

- Raffles, certificates of completion, food (pre-COVID)
- Not much different from student programming



Digital certificates  
are often free!

# Assessment

Looks different depending on who created the training (your team or institutional partners).

- Develop Learning Outcomes for your home grown training sessions
  - Test learning by asking questions surrounding the learning outcomes
- Pre-Test & Post-Test?
  - This can track learning and is helpful data when requesting additional funding

Ask: How can we improve the training? What other topics would you like included in the program?

# Employing a Pepp Student: Supervisor Essentials

**Example Learning Outcome:** Participants will become knowledgeable of wage and hour regulations pertaining to meal and rest breaks.

**Assessment Question:** All employees must take a meal break before the start of the \_\_\_\_ hour of work if their work day is more than 6 hours.

**Outcome Data:** Student supervisors who attended the training are knowledgeable of all applicable regulations pertaining to CA state wage and hour laws.

(Showing these outcomes is how you get \$\$ for future training sessions)

**THANK YOU!**

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