

KIND*- Speed Mentoring Event

Friday, May 2, 2025, 10:00 am – 12:00 pm PST

Goal: The KIND Speed Mentoring program is an inter-institution networking-based mentoring program that occurs three times a year (Fall, Spring, and Summer) and it aims to provide mentoring and networking opportunities for all CSU engineering faculty and lecturers.

Who can attend? This event is open to all CSU engineering faculty/lecturers. We especially encourage individuals who identify as underrepresented in engineering to attend this event.

Meeting Format: Virtual ([Zoom link](#), Meeting ID: 840 2936 7881, Pass code: KIND)

Registration Deadline: April 28, 2025

Please fill out the Google form. (Google Form Link: [Registration Link](#))

List of mentors and topics:

Name	Rank	Institution	Topic
TBD			Leadership in Academia
Dr. Liz Thompson	Full Professor	Cal Poly SLO	Engineering Education Research
Dr. Lalita Oka	Full Professor	CSU Fresno	Proposal Writing/Research Alliance
Dr. Jon Biggane	Associate Professor, Department chair	CSU Fresno	Negotiating in academia
Dr. Winncy Du	Professor	SJSU	Navigating tenure/early career advice
Dr. Zoe Wood	Full Professor, Associate Dean	Cal Poly SLO	Charting your mid-career path/Promotions Beyond Tenure

Schedule:

There are two 45-min mentoring sessions during the event. Every mentee can choose two different topics.

10:00 – 10:15 am: Introduction

10:15 – 11:00 am: Mentoring session 1

11:00 – 11:10 am: Break

11:10 – 11:55 am: Mentoring session 2

11:55 – 12:00 pm: Concluding remarks

If you have any questions, please contact any of the following contributors:

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“Kindling Inter-university Networks for Diverse (KIND) Engineering Faculty Advancement in the California State University System.” The goal of this project is to bring about systemic changes to increase the representation of women, particularly URM women, and to support equity for diverse groups, in the CSU engineering professoriate throughout 19 campuses.