

# ELI Online Focus Session

## Activity Workbook

The purpose of the focus session's activities is to provide you with the opportunity to apply what you are learning through the presentations to your institutional context. For this focus session, we'd like you to reflect on your key challenges and the leadership qualities or strategies you will need to address them. We strongly encourage you to do this as a collaborative exercise with your team.

**\*\*Please note you must be registered to be eligible for the focus session badge.**

### Tuesday, September 15, 2015

#### ***Day 1 Activity: Identifying Leadership Challenges and Strategies***

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Compose a list of the challenges you and your team face at your institution, within your unit or institution-wide. Initially do not edit the list; simply list any and all challenges as they come to mind. The challenges may address any type of issue, for instance, a specific technology (such as replacing the LMS), establishing a new approach for your faculty development efforts, or determining how to merge your group with another. The only criterion is that the challenge be genuine, that is, a problem whose resolution is not immediately apparent.

Once you've completed the list, rank all the challenges, starting with the one that is the most difficult and complex to the one that is the least difficult. Using your ranked list, think about the top 5 challenges and identify 2-3 leadership qualities or strategies you might use to address them.

**FOCUS SESSION BADGE REQUIREMENTS:** To qualify for the focus session badge, you must deposit in the Google form (<http://tinyurl.com/15FocusActivity1>) your top 5 challenges along with 2-3 leadership qualities or strategies you might use to address each of them. *NOTE: In order to receive the focus session badge, we require your name and email address, but due to their potential sensitive nature, all submissions will be kept confidential.*

### Wednesday, September 16, 2015

#### ***Day 2 Activity: Identifying Leadership Challenges and Applying the Leadership Toolbox***

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Review your ranked challenge list from the day 1 activity. Next, review the items in the leadership toolbox as it has developed over the course of the focus session. Identify the [toolbox](#) items you think are most helpful and important, and map them to your five top challenges. What might your next steps be in these challenge areas?

**FOCUS SESSION BADGE REQUIREMENTS:** To qualify for the focus session badge, you must deposit in the Google form (<http://tinyurl.com/15FocusActivity2>) your top 5 challenges from day 1 along with 1-2 leadership [toolbox](#) items you might apply to address each of your challenges. Please also identify some next steps for each of your challenges.

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*Questions about the focus session activities or badge requirements?*

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