



Winter Coordinator Retreat

• 2024 •

AGENDA AT-A-GLANCE

The Portofino Hotel & Marina | January 3-5, 2024



*"The most common way people give up their power is
by thinking they don't have any." - Lorraine Hansberry*

The WINTER COORDINATOR RETREAT

Thursday, January 3, 2023

11:00 AM - 1:00 PM

Registration

12:00 PM - 1:00 PM

Welcome Lunch

1:00 AM - 1:10PM

Celebratory Opening & Akwaaba

1:10 PM - 2:00 PM

Opening Umoja Elder Ritual
Umoja Elders Council

2:00 PM - 2:45 PM

General Session
Retreat Overview & Umoja Programming Updates

2:45 PM - 3:40 PM

Community Building Activity

3:30 PM - 3:45 PM

Ustawi - Wellness Break

3:45 PM - 5:00 PM

Aya Session

5:15 PM - 6:00 PM

Hotel Check-In

6:00 PM - 7:30 PM

Umoja Community Networking
Reconnecting

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community

Thursday, January 4, 2023

7:30 AM - 9:00 AM

Breakfast

9:00 AM - 9:05 AM

Day 2 Welcome and Overview of the Day

9:05 AM - 9:20 AM

Community Building Activity

9:20 AM - 11:00 AM

Unbuntu Breakout Sessions

Umojafied Classrooms

Dr. Kiandra Jimenez, Norco College

Umoja English Faculty

Umoja Data and Best Practices

Dr. Michelle Fowles, Los Angeles Valley College

Dean of the Office of Institutional Effectiveness

Umoja Programming and Coordination

Clarence Banks, Mt. San Antonio College

Director of the Black Student Resource Center

11:00 AM - 11:15 AM

Break

11:15 AM - 12:45 PM

Umojafied Classrooms

Dr. Rob Rubalcabra, San Diego City College

Umoja Math Faculty

Umoja Data and Best Practices

Dr. Michelle Fowles, Los Angeles Valley College

Dean of the Office of Institutional Effectiveness

Umoja Programming and Coordination

Clarence Banks, Mt. San Antonio College

Director of the Black Student Resource Center

12:45 PM - 2:15 PM

Lunch

2:15 PM - 2:30 PM

Centering and Wellness Energizer

2:30 PM - 4:30 PM

Guest Speaker

Dr. Jonathon Henderson, Southwestern College

*"I Love My Students, But I Hate the Pimpin,": Unpacking
the Experiences & Resistance of Umoja Coordinators*

4:30 PM - 5:00 PM

Closing: Recap of the Day and Call to Action

Friday, January 5, 2023

7:30 PM - 8:30 AM

Breakfast

8:30 PM - 8:40 AM

Day 3 Welcome, Recap and Overview

8:40 PM - 9:40 AM

Transfer Pathways: University Panel

9:40 - 10:40 AM

CCCCO Funding and Reporting Q&A

10:40 - 10:50 AM

Next Steps and Call to Action/Raffle

10:50 - 11:15 AM

Closing Ritual

Umoja Council of Elders

MISSION STATEMENT

Umoja, (a Kiswahili word meaning unity) is a community and critical resource dedicated to enhancing the cultural and educational experiences of African American and other students. We believe that when the voices and histories of students are deliberately and intentionally recognized, the opportunity for self-efficacy emerges and a foundation is formed for academic success. Umoja actively serves and promotes student success for all students through a curriculum and pedagogy responsive to the legacy of the African and African American Diasporas.

VISION STATEMENT

Umoja is the preeminent global educational organization that provides transformative, emancipatory education to uplift and inspire academic excellence of self-actualization for students of African descent.

UMOJA PRACTICES

Raising "Intentional & Deliberate

Ethic of Love—the Affective Domain

Manifesting

Umoja Counseling: Affirming, Integrated,
Intentional

The Porch

Live Learning

Language as Power

Tapping African American Intellectual, Spiritual,
and Artistic Voices

Awareness of Connectedness to African Diaspora

Community-Building Communal Intelligence

Acceleration - English, Math, ESL, and
Counseling

Occupy Study Spaces on Campus

Mentoring

Mattering

Umoja as a Power Base

Encircling Diversity

Gifting

Everybody's Business



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