Michelle Pacansky-Brock and Kim Vincent-Layton will discuss what humanizing is and why it holds promise to improve the academic success of minoritized students, share humanizing strategies, and discuss the work being implemented at Foothill-DeAnza Community College District, Modesto Junior College, and Humboldt State University. Pacansky-Brock is a Faculty Mentor of Online Teaching and Learning at CVC-OEI/@ONE and Foothill-De Anza Community College District, and PI of the Humanizing Instruction Project. Vincent-Layton is an educational developer at Humboldt State University and a co-PI of the Humanizing Instruction Project.

Faculty Experiences

“We are really there for the student, the whole student, and have a responsibility to reach each one of them in a way that will be meaningful and effective…I appreciate how I’ve been able to take concepts that I was previously aware of, such as Growth Mindset, and have learned how to directly apply the principals in an appropriate manner to current and future lesson plans.” – Brent Wedge, Computer Science, Modesto JC

“I have developed new strategies to engage students and acquire new skills (and a new toolkit) to implement humanizing approaches to my online course design and delivery. With these, I hope my online courses are more accessible and engaging for all students.” – Jeffrey White, Biology, Humboldt State University