

A convergence of innovative practitioners sharing promising pedagogy and instructional strategies

March 7, 2020 | 8:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. | Loyola Marymount University Life Science Building 120, 1 Loyola Marymount University Dr., Los Angeles, CA 90045

L.A. Unified and Loyola Marymount University have partnered for a one-day conference featuring exemplary teaching and learning experiences. The event features a keynote speech from Yale Professor Dena Simmons, Ed.D., panel discussions and workshops led by educational technology leaders in both K12 and higher education.



Dena Simmons, Ed.D. | KEYNOTE SPEAKER

Dena Simmons, Ed.D., is an activist, educator, and student of life from the Bronx, New York. She serves as the Assistant Director of the Yale Center for Emotional Intelligence and is an Associate Research Scientist at the Yale Child Study Center. She writes and speaks nationally about social justice and culturally responsive and sustaining pedagogy as well as creating emotionally intelligent and safe classrooms within the context of equity, including two TEDx talks and a TED talk on Broadway with more than a million views. Dena has won numerous awards and fellowships and has been profiled in Huffington Post, Education Week, the AOL/PBS project, MAKERS: Women Who Make America, and a Beacon Press Book, *Do It Anyway: The New Generation of Activists*. She is the author of the forthcoming book, *White Rules for Black People* (St. Martin's Press, 2021).

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