**DESTINATION AREAS AND STRATEGIC GROWTH AREAS FALL EVENT:**

**“BUILDING TRANSDISCIPLINARY COMMUNITIES”**

*September 24, 2018 / Virginia Tech Inn*

**Program objectives:**  
- a) to advance understanding of DA/SGA successes and endeavors;  
- b) to critically reflect on how the work of the DA/SGAs add value to scholarship and education at VT;  
- c) to engage faculty by providing opportunities to get involved in DA/SGA programming and transdisciplinary collaborations.

| Schedule |  
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| **Registration / General Meet + Greet / Coffee break service**  
- DAs/SGAs poster session will be set up throughout the day near the coffee service | 8:00-8:30 |
| **Vision for Beyond Boundaries: Advancing VT as a Global Land Grant through Transdisciplinary Communities**  
- LSIE Video (tentative)  
- Don Taylor – Welcome and Introductions - A Call to Action  
- Provost Clark – VT’s Transdisciplinary Commitment | 8:30-9:00 |
| **Plenary Session 1: Transdisciplinary Research Panel** (**10-minute intro/20-minute panel**)  
- Objective: Provide opportunities for DA/SGA stakeholders to reflect on research collaborations and lessons learned (including failures).  
- Moderator and three speakers (8-minutes allotted to each of the 3 speakers) | 9:00-9:30 |
| **Transdisciplinary Research Roundtables**  
- Rural Health seed grants  
- Infectious Disease seed grants  
- ABB funded seed grants  
- C+I Seed grants  
- Other research collaborations | 9:30-10:30 |
| **Break (15 minutes)** | 10:30-10:45 |
| **Plenary Session 2: Transdisciplinary Formal and Informal Education Panel** (**10-minute intro/20-minute panel**)  
- Objective: Provide opportunities for DA/SGA stakeholders to reflect on how DA/SGAs are organizing curricular efforts and lessons learned.  
- Moderator and three speakers (8 minutes allotted to each of the 3 speakers) | 10:45-11:15 |
| **Formal and Informal Transdisciplinary Education Roundtables**  
- Transdisciplinary collaborations  
- ESDHC and Informal learning opportunities  
- Atypical class structures  
- Experiential Learning and the Capstone  
- Advising transdisciplinary students  
- Other research collaborations | 11:15-12:15 |
| **Networking luncheon** | 12:15-1:30 |