

The Best of the Best: Congratulations to CUSP Best Practices Winners of 2015! ^[1]

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On Friday, June 12, the 2015 CU Shared Practices (CUSP) award winners were announced at the Grant Street CUSP Exposition.

The Exposition closed out another successful CUSP Program year, with the top ten semifinalists showing and sharing their best practices on a host of topics, from expanding services for disabled students to streamlining faculty approval to travel.

And the envelope, please ...

Top honors went to **DocuSign**, a collaborative effort between CU-Boulder Human Resources/Business Services and Office of Information Technology staff to identify a secure and efficient document signing and tracking technology. Team members (Michael Murray, Nancy Portner, Ron Ried, Mark Diekhoff, Dan Jones, Desiree Robinson) split the \$1,500 cash prize.

Four additional cash prizes (\$1,000 each) were awarded to:

- **Education Management System**, a CU Denver – Anschutz Medical Campus Department of Neurology initiative that utilizes iPads and scanners to expedite event registration, reporting, and survey management. The team is composed of Kathy Illian, David Vu, Zachrey Baud, and Alina Rich.
- **Green Labs Program**, a pioneering program for energy and resource conservation across CU-Boulder's extensive laboratory network – now being promoted at a number of colleges and universities across North America. The innovator is Kathryn Ramirez Aguilar.
- **On Boarding Process**, a comprehensive approach to employee orientation at CU-Boulder Research Administration, designed to enfold new hires in the professional business processes and culture. The team includes Dave Christopher, Joan Eaton, Patricia Dodson, Laurie Clauson, Regina Montano, Chyrl Taylor, Charlotte Wiebeck, and Jeni Comly.
- **Intro to Engineering Online Course**, a cutting-edge redesign of a large-lecture survey course at CU-Boulder, now delivered to students online through a collection of professional-quality videos and interactive activities and projects. The designer is Cory Pavicich in the Office of Information Technology (OIT).

Congratulations to all!

Now ... Although the CUSP Program is officially closed until January 2016, we know your

active minds are always open.

Be sure to tell us about the ways *you* have improved your department's business processes when CUSP re-opens in January 2016.

And in the meantime: Take a few minutes to catch up on the exciting things your colleagues are doing. Visit the CUSP website ^[3] today.

Award-winning or not ... all posted CUSP submissions are worth your time and attention!

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