

# Stratenotes

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## ENCOMPASS

### Celebrating & exploring SIM connections

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Encompass, the 2012 International SIM Conference, will celebrate the spectrum of connections that have made the Strategic Instruction Model an enduring fixture on the education landscape. SIM, never a single solution to problems of learning and instruction, has expanded significantly over the years as our research and that of others unveils new best practices.

Take, for example, the two keynote speakers we have booked for the conference. Both Ed Ellis and Jim Knight have made contributions to research and practice that have pushed SIM into new territory.

Ellis, professor of special education and multiple abilities at the University of Alabama, is the author of the *Clarifying Routine*, *Framing Routine*, *LINCS Vocabulary Strategy*, *Vocabulary LINCing Routine*, and *SLANT: A Starter Strategy for Class Participation*. He is also president of Makes Sense Strategies LLC.

His keynote address, *Beyond Test Scores—Indices of a Successful Education*, will focus on instructional prac-

tices and 10 indicators of a successful education.

Knight, director of the Kansas Coaching Project at KUCRL, is an author of the *Fundamentals of Paraphrasing and Summarizing* manual and is well known for his work involving instructional coaching. He is the author of several books on instructional coaching, including *Instructional Coaching: A Partnership Approach to Improving Instruction* and *Unmistakable Impact: A Partnership Approach for Dramatically Improving Instruction*.

His keynote address, *Learning Adults for Learning Students*, will explore the benefits of and the practices that promote professional learning.

Together, the insights of our keynote speakers will prompt all of us to consider new thinking and new understanding in relation to our work with SIM. If you think of our work as a compass, the kind used in mathematics or drafting to draw circles and arcs, one piece remains firmly embedded in the research from which SIM emerged. As our understanding of issues in education and

adolescent literacy grows, we open the hinge to admit new knowledge and solutions into our circle. Ellis and Knight are both grounded in SIM, but their research paths have taken them in new directions and to new discoveries that expand the circle of our SIM knowledge.

#### New schedule

As you're making your plans to attend the conference, note that our schedule is significantly different from past years. We hope the new Tuesday-to-Thursday schedule will ease some of the travel and lodging issues associated with attending the conference, allowing participants to fly in Monday evening or Tuesday morning and stay for the entire conference. Our goal is to create a schedule that is conducive to your full participation in conference events.

The conference will begin with our first keynote at noon on Tuesday, July 10, followed by an afternoon of breakout sessions. The conference will continue on Wednesday, July 11, with our second keynote leading off the day.

If you have attended an interna-

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tional conference in the last few years, you will recognize the strand format, planned for Wednesday morning and Thursday morning (July 12). Strands are extended sessions, designed to allow you enough time for in-depth learning centered on a single topic. This year's strands will delve into connections between SIM and current issues in education, including many states' adoption of the Common Core State Standards.

Jan Bulgren will lead an interactive thinking and planning strand to collaboratively answer questions about CCSS and Content Enhancement Routines. Participants are encouraged to bring texts, assessments, district guidelines, and other materials to use in devising concrete answers to such questions as "What are the higher-order thinking demands in CCSS?" and "What Content Enhancement Routines specifically respond to those demands?"

Last year, Don Deshler's strand used case studies to discuss the challenges of changing school culture. We expect his strand this year, on literacy and school change, to be just as dynamic and productive.

## Keynote: Beyond Test Scores: Indices of a Successful Education

Given common educational practices and pressures wrought by policy makers who define success by test scores, is it any wonder that many struggling learners have motivation issues? This keynote presentation will examine a broader definition of what constitutes a meaningful education and will explore instructional practices that impair and those that support the development of 10 indices of success.



*Ed Ellis*

For instructional coaches or those interested in a deeper understanding of coaching, Jim Knight's strand will explore issues that put professional learning and coaching in focus.

Learning Strategies professional developers will not want to miss Jean Schumaker's strand connecting research, current educational trends (such as Common Core State Standards), and best practices.

The conference will wrap up with breakout sessions followed by Don Deshler's traditional closing address on Thursday afternoon.

### Twitter: @StrateTweets

Follow conference plans,  
join the conversation.

Use the hashtag **#SIMCON12**.

## Keynote: Learning Adults for Learning Students



*Jim Knight*

For more than three decades, KUCRL has studied and promoted the importance of learning. Our view has always been that children have a much greater chance of succeeding if they learn how to learn. As we have studied professional learning, we have come to a second conclusion: Children have a much better chance of succeeding if the adults who teach them continue to be learners.

Fortunately, research has identified simple practices that

stand at the heart of personal and organizational learning. During this session, you'll hear stories that illustrate each practice and learn how those practices are inherent to the professional learning processes of instructional coaching, impact schools, partnership learning, and intensive learning teams that have been developed at KUCRL over more than a decade of research. Finally, you'll hear how those processes can be employed to promote widespread adoption and deep implementation of SIM.

# Encompass: Preconference

Extend your learning by attending one of two workshops we have planned before the 2012 International SIM Conference. Both workshops will be offered on Tuesday, July 10, beginning at 8 a.m. and ending at 11 a.m.

## Working in GIST 2.0

**Presenters:** Sherri Wagner, Moxxisoft Solutions; Keith Lenz, SRI International; and Peter Lenz, Velvet Bridge  
**Registration fee:** \$60 with software update and user's guide; \$40 if registrant already owns these

This session will take users through the GIST 2.0 program for both Mac and PC users. Some of the topics that will be covered include inserting math and science symbols plus other new libraries, syncing between Content Enhancement templates, packaging and sharing integrated courses, network capabilities, and training on the course builder.

## Handouts

All conference handouts will be posted to the conference website, and you will be able to download them to your laptop or print them before your arrival in Lawrence. **We will not distribute handouts on a USB drive or on paper; handouts will be available only on the website.**

## Creating an Impact School: Professional Learning that Makes a Difference

**Presenter:** Jim Knight, KUCRL  
**Registration fee:** \$90

This workshop describes high-leverage activities educational leaders can employ to design professional learning that has an unmistakable impact on teaching. The content of the session draws from ideas described in Jim Knight's *Unmistakable Impact* and is based on more than 18 years of research on professional learning conducted at the Kansas Coaching Project at the University of Kansas Center for Research on Learning.

This session will describe how schools and districts can focus their professional learning on easy-to-understand professional learning targets; how workshops, professional learning communities and other forms of professional learning can support implementation of school improvement targets; what principals, coaches, and central office staff need to do to accelerate professional learning; and what teaching practices have the greatest effect in the classroom. The session will address the following questions:

- Which teaching practices have the greatest effect on teaching excellence and student achievement?
- What are the complexities of helping relationships?

Minimum registration for each session is 10 participants. We will cancel any session that does not have at least 10 participants registered by June 1.

Participants should bring their own laptop computers to pre-conference sessions.

- What is the partnership approach and why is it an essential foundation for professional learning?
- Why is an instructional target important?
- What are the step-by-step procedures leaders can follow to create school improvement targets?
- How can leaders best get school-wide commitment to implementing the target?
- How can principals best lead and support implementation of the school improvement target?
- How should workshops, intensive learning teams, and other forms of professional learning be designed to ensure impact on student learning and teacher practice?
- How can instructional coaches be best used to support professional learning?
- How should central office and school leaders work together successfully to support professional learning that makes an impact?

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## 2012 International SIM Conference Tentative Schedule

July 10-12, 2012 • Oread  
Hotel • Lawrence, Kan.

### Tuesday, July 10, 2012

7:30 a.m.  
Registration

8 a.m.-11 a.m.  
Preconference

Noon-1:30 p.m.  
Opening session, keynote

1:45 p.m.-4:45 p.m.  
Breakout sessions

### Wednesday, July 11, 2012

7:30 a.m.  
Registration

8 a.m.-8:30 a.m.  
Welcome

8:30 a.m.-9:30 a.m.  
Keynote

9:45 a.m.-12:15 p.m.  
Strands

12:15 p.m.-1:30 p.m.  
Lunch on your own

1:30 p.m.-2:45 p.m.  
Breakout sessions

3 p.m.-3:45 p.m.  
Poster session

4 p.m.-4:30 p.m.  
Certificate ceremony

4:30 p.m.-5:30 p.m.  
Social

### Thursday, July 12, 2012

9 a.m.-11:30 a.m.  
Strands

11:30 a.m.-12:15 p.m.  
Box lunch

12:30 p.m.-2 p.m.  
Breakout sessions

2 p.m.-3 p.m.  
Closing address  
by Don Deshler

# Call for Proposals

International SIM Conference • July 10-12, 2012  
Oread Hotel • Lawrence, Kan.

We are soliciting proposals for two types of presentations for the 2012 International SIM Conference: Book Reports and Posters. **The deadline for proposal submission is March 15, 2012.** Submit your proposal by emailing Mona Tipton at [monatipton@ku.edu](mailto:monatipton@ku.edu).

To save trees and to aid in distribution, electronic handouts will be required of all presenters. Handouts will be posted online for our participants to download in advance.

Selected presenters will be notified by April 2, 2012. By submitting a proposal, presenters are providing consent for themselves and all other presenters on the proposal to be videotaped. Your submission of a proposal constitutes a commitment by all individuals participating in the presentation to register for the conference if the proposal is accepted. Registration must be received by July 1, 2012.

## Types of Proposals

**10-Minute Book Reports:** Presenters will report on books selected by the Center and relevant to SIM professional development work. Presentations will be given during a general session at 11:30 a.m. Thursday, July 12. The purpose is to whet the audience's appetite to read the book. Presenters will have 10 minutes to present key points in whatever manner they deem appropriate. An LCD projector, chart paper, and pens will be provided. Each presenter will create a bookmark handout summarizing key points using a template provided by KUCRL.

**Poster Session:** This session (at 3 p.m. Wednesday, July 11) will showcase research or innovation in SIM. Proposals should include **the title of the poster and a short abstract (up to 75 words)** for use in the program book and on the conference website. In addition, if applicable, include a short description of the evidence of any results. If you want to use a KUCRL trifold board or if you will require an electrical outlet, please include that request in your proposal. Participants who want to use a laptop must provide their own laptop.

**QUESTIONS?** If you have any questions about any part of this call for proposals, please contact Mona Tipton, [monatipton@ku.edu](mailto:monatipton@ku.edu).



# 2012 International SIM Conference

## SIM Professional Developer Registration Form

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### CONTACT INFORMATION

MAILING ADDRESS (SELECT ONE): ☐ HOME ☐ WORK

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Work Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

We e-mail **important conference information**. Please print clearly an **email address** that you check regularly:

Alternate email: \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency contact name and phone number: \_\_\_\_\_

### REGISTRATION FEE

☐ **Certified SIM Professional Developer and Apprentice Registration Fee: \$250** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

For registrations postmarked after June 11, 2012, add \$25 late fee. \$ \_\_\_\_\_

☐ **Stratworks Renewal (optional): \$35** \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
☐ I want to receive *Stratenotes* by email (pdf)

**Total enclosed:** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

### PAYMENT INFORMATION

☐ **Check** (made payable to KUCRL)

☐ **Credit card** (Visa or MasterCard) # \_\_\_\_\_  
Expiration date: \_\_\_\_\_ 3-digit security code (req.) \_\_\_\_\_  
☐ Personal card OR ☐ Name of institution: \_\_\_\_\_

Billing address (req.): \_\_\_\_\_

Authorization signature: \_\_\_\_\_

☐ **P.O. #** \_\_\_\_\_  
Name of institution issuing P.O.: \_\_\_\_\_

*Return completed registration to  
KUCRL, Joseph R. Pearson Hall, 1122 West Campus Rd,  
Rm. 517, Lawrence, KS 66045-3101  
Fax: 785.864.5728 • Email: pmynsted@ku.edu  
Your receipt will be available at the conference.*

### Cancellation policy

If you cannot attend the conference, you must **notify KUCRL by July 2, 2012**, to receive a full refund of your registration fee. We will be unable to issue any refunds after July 2, 2012.

### CONFERENCE INFORMATION

How many previous International SIM Conferences have you attended? \_\_\_\_\_

☐ This is my first as a professional developer

We may distribute or post a list of participant names and email addresses on paper or electronically. If you do not want to be included, check here: ☐

### Video release

KUCRL will videotape this conference for use in future educational and publicity products. By attending, you consent to our use of any video in which you may appear.

### Events & materials

With your paid registration, you also receive professional development materials distributed during the conference, refreshments during breaks, admission to the social, and lunch on Thursday.

### Hotel & transportation

Coming soon: Visit <http://sim.conference.kucrl.org> for more information about the conference, including hotel and transportation details.

### NOT A SIM PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPER?

Individuals who are not certified SIM Professional Developers may attend the conference with a SIM PD sponsor. The registration fee is \$350 (\$35 late fee after June 11, 2012). **Space is limited. For registration forms and more information, contact Patty Graner ([pgraner@ku.edu](mailto:pgraner@ku.edu)) or Mona Tipton ([monatipton@ku.edu](mailto:monatipton@ku.edu)).**

# 2012 International SIM Conference

## Preconference Registration Form

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Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Work Address: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Work Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Preferred mailing address: ☐ home ☐ work

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Summer Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

We email **important conference information**.

• Emergency contact name and phone number: \_\_\_\_\_

☐ I will **NOT** be able to bring a laptop computer to the preconference.

### SESSION SELECTION

#### ☐ Working in GIST 2.0

☐ I **do not own** the GIST 2.0 software  
and user's guide: **\$60** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

☐ I **already own** the GIST 2.0 software  
and user's guide: **\$40** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

For registrations postmarked after June 11, 2012,  
add **\$25** late fee. \$ \_\_\_\_\_

#### ☐ Creating an Impact School: **\$90** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

For registrations postmarked after June 11, 2012,  
add **\$25** late fee. \$ \_\_\_\_\_

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any session that does not have at least 10 participants registered by June 1.

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### PAYMENT INFORMATION

Total Enclosed: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

☐ Make check payable to KUCRL

—OR—

☐ Credit Card # (VISA or MasterCard)

Expiration Date: \_\_\_\_\_

3-digit security code: \_\_\_\_\_

☐ Personal Card OR

☐ Name of Institution: \_\_\_\_\_

Billing Address (req.) \_\_\_\_\_

Signature Authorization: \_\_\_\_\_

—OR—

☐ PO #: \_\_\_\_\_

Institution issuing PO: \_\_\_\_\_

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## Online directory

<https://directory.kucrl.org/>

Recent years saw the Center move toward greener methods of communicating with members of the SIM Network. We took a big step in this direction when we unveiled *Stratedirectory Online* as a replacement for the annual paper directory.

Early in 2009, SIM Professional Developers received email invitations containing a login name and initial password for *Stratedirectory Online*. If you did not receive an email, contact [simpd@ku.edu](mailto:simpd@ku.edu).

Using *Stratedirectory Online*, you can review and change your profile information; control how much—if any—of your personal information can be viewed by other professional developers; and look up information about your colleagues, including phone numbers and email addresses. **Note: If you are not an active member of the network, your listing will not appear in *Stratedirectory Online* search results.**

For a more comprehensive review of *Stratedirectory Online* features, see the February 2009 issue of *Stratenotes*. Active SIM Professional Developers may download this issue from the *Stratenotes* archive in SIMville.



## Strateworks Renewal

If you have let your *Strateworks* membership lapse, now is the time to rectify the situation. Use this form to renew and once again receive all the benefits of active membership: *Stratenotes* newsletters, SIM Network online directory, StatePubs, e-mail discussion lists, and more.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_

State: \_\_\_\_\_

ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Work Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_

State: \_\_\_\_\_

ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

Work Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Please indicate where you prefer to receive mail: ☐ home ☐ work

Email address: \_\_\_\_\_

☐ Please add me to the SIMTRAINER-L email discussion list

☐ I would like to receive *Stratenotes* by email (pdf)

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or

☐ PO # \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Institution issuing PO: \_\_\_\_\_

or

☐ VISA/MasterCard Number: \_\_\_\_\_

☐ Personal Card

☐ Business Card

If business, name of institution: \_\_\_\_\_

Expiration Date: \_\_\_\_\_

3-digit security code (req.) \_\_\_\_\_

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Mail or fax completed form and your **payment of \$35** (U.S.) to KUCRL  
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# Potential Professional Developer Institutes

Encourage qualified individuals to apply for one of the Potential Professional Developer Institutes in either Learning Strategies or Content Enhancement Routines scheduled in 2012. Dates and locations for the institutes are listed at right. Full details, including application deadlines and requirements, are available on our website, <http://www.kucrl.org/classes/archive/category/sim-ppd>.

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The **Learning Strategies Potential Professional Developer Institute** will prepare experienced SIM Learning Strategies educators to instruct other educators in how to implement Learning Strategies with low-achieving adolescents (including adolescents with learning disabilities). Instruction in the use of specific learning strategies will *not* be offered during this week; the focus will be on instructing and coaching others to ensure effective implementation.

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The **Content Enhancement Potential Professional Developer Institute** will prepare educators who have implemented the Content Enhancement Approach to teach other educators to implement Content Enhancement. The Content Enhancement Routines were developed as a part of the Strategic Instruction Model to enable educators to teach subject-matter content to diverse classes of learners. Instruction in the use of specific Content Enhancement Routines will not be offered during this week; the focus will be on the professional development process.

## ARKANSAS

**June 4-8, 2012**

SIM Learning Strategies Potential Professional Developers Institute

**Where:** University of Central Arkansas, Mashburn 204, Conway, Arkansas

**Cost:** \$850 (waived for Arkansas educators)

**Contact:** Patty Kohler Evans  
pattyk@uca.edu • 501.450.5460

**Deadline:** Applications must be postmarked by April 15, 2012

## OHIO

**June 12-15, 2012**

SIM Content Enhancement Potential Professional Developers Institute

**Where:** Toledo, Ohio

**Cost:** \$750

**Contact:** Sue Woodruff  
swoodruf@me.com

**Deadline:** Applications must be postmarked by May 15, 2012

**June 12-15, 2012**

SIM Learning Strategies Potential Professional Developers Institute

**Where:** Toledo, Ohio

**Cost:** \$850

**Contact:** Sue Woodruff  
swoodruf@me.com

**Deadline:** Applications must be postmarked by May 15, 2012

## FLORIDA

**June 18-22, 2012**

SIM Content Enhancement Potential Professional Developers Institute

**Where:** Orlando, Fla.

**Cost:** \$850

**Contact:** Valerie Watson  
WatsonV@nefec.org

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## TEXAS

**June 18-22, 2012**

SIM Learning Strategies Potential Professional Developers Institute

**Where:** Austin, Texas

**Contact:** Gina Alligood

Gina.Alligood@esc12.txed.net

**Cost and deadline:** Registration information coming soon

**June 18-22, 2012**

SIM Content Enhancement Potential Professional Developers Institute

**Where:** Austin, Texas

**Contact:** Gina Alligood

Gina.Alligood@esc13.txed.net

**Cost and deadline:** Registration information coming soon



# SIM & Common Core State Standards

Common Core State Standards, adopted by all but a few states, have become a big topic of conversation in the education world. The standards weave reading and writing expectations throughout the curriculum, in all subjects at all grade levels.

We are offering two classes this spring to help classroom teachers understand connections between SIM and the Common Core State Standards and, ultimately, to better enable students to meet the increased reading and writing demands they face. Both classes will be held April 16-19 in Lawrence, Kan.

**SIM Reading and Writing Strategies and the Common Core State Standards** is for middle school and high school teachers who are charged with providing powerful reading and writing strategies that support the Common Core State Standards and promote student success. The class will introduce participants to the foundations of SIM and will teach *Proficiency in the Sentence Writing Strategy*, *the LINC'S Vocabulary*

*Strategy*, *the Inference Strategy*, and *Fundamentals of Paraphrasing and Summarizing*. Participants will have time to plan how to use the strategies with their students.

**SIM Content Enhancement Routines and the Common Core State Standards** will introduce teachers to a selection of routines from the Content Enhancement Series. Participants will learn about and plan how to implement the following routines in their own classrooms: *Course Organizer Routine*, *Unit Organizer Routine*, *Concept Mastery Routine*, and *Question Exploration Routine*. Teachers who use these routines will better prepare their students to meet the literacy and higher-order thinking demands they face in the classroom.

For more information about these classes and a complete schedule of 2012 SIM classes, visit the events calendar at <http://kucrl.org/classes> or contact Mona Tipton ([monatipton@ku.edu](mailto:monatipton@ku.edu), 785.864.0626).

Please share this information with interested teachers.

## Update Options

If you need to attend a SIM Update Conference in 2012 but can't make it to the international conference in July, check out the following list of regional and state options. Full details and registration information are available on our website, <http://www.kucrl.org/classes>.

**Feb. 6-26, 2012**

Virtual Update Conference for SIM Professional Developers

**Feb. 27-28, 2012**

Southeast Region Update Conference for SIM Professional Developers

**March 14-15, 2012**

2012 Louisiana SIM Update

**April 23-May 13, 2012**

Virtual Update Conference for SIM Professional Developers

**June 12-13, 2012**

Iowa Update for SIM Professional Developers



CRL Learns presents professional learning opportunities on current topics of interest to educators and researchers. Though the live events take place in Lawrence, Kan., videos of past CRL Learns events are freely available on the CRL Learns website.

Here is a sample of the videos available on the site, drawn from this fall's terrific lineup:

- Physical Activity Across the Curriculum (PAAC), Leon Greene, associate professor in the University of Kansas School of Education
- From Knowledgeable to Knowledge-Able: New Learning Environments for New Media Environments, Michael Wesch, associate professor of cultural

anthropology and 2011-2012 Coffman Chair for Distinguished Teaching Scholars at Kansas State University

- Enhancing STEM Education with Video Games, Matt Marino, assistant professor of special education at Washington State University

We are working on the spring lineup now. Details will be available on the CRL Learns website, <http://crllearns.kucrl.org>.

# KUCRL CALENDAR 2011-2012

## **Feb. 6-26, 2012**

Virtual Update Conference for  
SIM Professional Developers

## **Feb. 27-28, 2012**

Southeast Update for SIM  
Professional Developers  
Charleston, S.C.

## **Feb. 27-28, 2012**

Creating an Impact School  
Lawrence, Kan.

## **March 14-15, 2012**

Louisiana SIM Update  
Baton Rouge, La.

## **March 19-20, 2012**

Workshops that Make an Impact  
Lawrence, Kan.

## **April 9-10, 2012**

Translating the Common Core  
Standards into Practice  
Lawrence, Kan.

## **April 16-19, 2012**

SIM Reading and Writing  
Strategies and the Common  
Core State Standards  
Lawrence, Kan.

## **April 16-19, 2012**

SIM Content Enhancement  
Routines and the Common Core  
State Standards  
Lawrence, Kan.

## **April 23-May 13, 2012**

Virtual Update Conference for  
SIM Professional Developers

## **May 29-June 1, 2012**

SIM Learning Strategies for  
Preservice Educators  
Lawrence, Kan.

## **May 29-June 1, 2012**

SIM Content Enhancement  
Routines for Preservice Educators  
Lawrence, Kan.

## **June 4-8, 2012**

SIM Learning Strategies Potential  
Professional Developers Institute  
Conway, Ark.

## **June 12-15, 2012**

SIM Content Enhancement  
Potential Professional Developers  
Institute  
Toledo, Ohio

## **June 12-15, 2012**

SIM Learning Strategies Potential  
Professional Developers Institute  
Toledo, Ohio

## **June 18-22, 2012**

SIM Learning Strategies Potential  
Professional Developers Institute  
Orlando, Fla.

## **June 18-22, 2012**

SIM Content Enhancement  
Potential Professional Developers  
Institute  
Orlando, Fla.

## **June 18-22, 2012**

SIM Learning Strategies Potential  
Professional Developers Institute  
Austin, Texas

## **June 18-22, 2012**

SIM Content Enhancement  
Potential Professional Developers  
Institute  
Austin, Texas

## **June 19-21, 2012**

Fusion Reading Performance  
Academy 1 (**by invitation only**;  
contact [monatipton@ku.edu](mailto:monatipton@ku.edu) for  
information)  
Lawrence, Kan.

## **July 10-12, 2012**

2012 International SIM  
Conference  
•NEW SCHEDULE: TUESDAY-  
WEDNESDAY-THURSDAY•  
Lawrence, Kan.

## **Aug. 6-8, 2012**

Instructional Coaching Institute  
Level 1: Progress Through  
Partnership  
Lawrence, Kan.

## **Aug. 9-11, 2012**

Instructional Coaching Institute  
Level 2  
Lawrence, Kan.

## **Aug. 13-14, 2012**

Translating the Common Core  
Standards into Practice  
Lawrence, Kan.

## **Oct. 8-10, 2012**

Instructional Coaching Institute  
Level 1: Progress Through  
Partnership  
Lawrence, Kan.

## **Oct. 11-13, 2012**

Instructional Coaching Institute  
Level 2  
Lawrence, Kan.

## **Oct. 15-17, 2012**

Seventh Annual Instructional  
Coaching Conference  
Lawrence, Kan.

**More information and complete calendar at <http://kucrl.org>**

# Get e-Stratenotes (in color!)

SIM Professional Developers now can choose between the traditional, paper-based *Stratenotes* received by mail and *e-Stratenotes*, delivered to your email inbox as a pdf file. If you are interested, email [simpd@ku.edu](mailto:simpd@ku.edu) to sign up, and *e-Stratenotes* will be sent to your email address at the same

time as we send it to the printer. You'll get your SIM news first and in full color—no more waiting on the printing and mailing process. (Please make sure your email address is correct in *Stratedirectory Online*, <http://directory.kucrl.org>).

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## Happy New Year, SIM Professional Developers!

With this issue of *Stratenotes*, we invite you to make plans to join us July 10-12 in Lawrence, Kan., for the 2012 International SIM Conference. We've packed the schedule with can't-miss events and presentations, and we can't wait to share these experiences with you.

This newsletter has been sent to all active **and inactive** SIM Professional Developers. If you are inactive and need to renew your *Strateworks* membership, you may do so either when you register for the conference using the form on page 5 or by using the *Strateworks* renewal form on page 7.

**See you all in July!**

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