

Workshops for Core Curriculum Development Summer 2008

On behalf of the Core Curriculum Implementation Team, I am pleased to announce a series of Summer Workshops in support of curriculum development for the new Core. We invite applications for workshops by February 15, 2008.

The following workshops will be held during summer 2008. Most workshops will hold one or more preliminary meetings during spring quarter and a follow up meeting in the fall.

- **June 16 - 20, Experiential Learning**

Facilitators: Laurie Laird, Associate Director, Ignatian Center for Jesuit Education, Dennis Gordon, Executive Director, International Programs, and Kevin Quinn, Executive Director, Ignatian Center for Jesuit Education

This workshop is designed to introduce faculty to the Experiential Learning component of the new Core and provide practical information about a range of opportunities for developing new courses or adapting existing courses. The workshop will include: presentations by faculty and community partners engaged in experiential learning both locally and internationally, visits with local organizations, information about and practice in developing assignments and activities to support reflection and integration of experiential learning with classroom learning, information about resources available for faculty, and time to exchange ideas with faculty participants and community partners.

- **June 18 - 20, The Penstemon Project: Sustainability Across the Curriculum**

Facilitator: John Farnsworth, English Department

The Penstemon Project is an interdisciplinary community of scholars committed to infusing concerns about environmental sustainability into all elements of the university curriculum. Using a training model developed by the Association for the Advancement of Sustainability in Higher Education, this workshop familiarizes participants with sustainability-across-the-curriculum methodologies while providing resources to help them better appreciate the local ecology. This workshop will aid faculty in developing courses for a likely "Sustainability Pathway" in the new Core Curriculum.

- **June 23 - 24, Civic Engagement**

Facilitator: Bob Senkewicz, History, and Chad Raphael, Communication

This workshop is designed to assist faculty in developing new courses or modifying existing courses to fulfill the Civic Engagement requirement in the new core curriculum. The workshop will also provide support as faculty develop syllabi with explicit assessment plans articulating connections between student learning objectives and activities and assignments for the course.

- **June 25 - 27, Cultures and Ideas**

Facilitators: Barbara Molony, History, and Phyllis Brown, English

Participants in this workshop will develop courses for the foundational Core course sequence in Cultures and Ideas. Various approaches will be discussed, including global integration, comparative

cultures and ideas, and linkages of the West with other regions of the world. Participants will have an opportunity to share ideas and pedagogies and to work collaboratively.

- **July 30 - August 1, Science, Technology, and Society**

Facilitator: Geof Bowker, Executive Director, Center for Science, Technology, and Society

Understanding science and technology is central to the key social, political and environmental questions of our day. In this workshop, Geoffrey Bowker from the Center for Science, Technology and Society (<http://www.scu.edu/sts>) will provide an introduction to the field of science, technology and society (STS). Participants will explore ways in which STS themes can be incorporated in curricula in the sciences, humanities and arts.

Guidelines and Application Process:

- By February 15, 2008 please send the following by email to Kristin Boscia, kboscia@scu.edu, copying the workshop facilitator and your department chair:
- Which workshop(s) would you like to attend? (Faculty may attend more than one workshop)
- What course are you interested in developing or transforming during this workshop?
- How will this course contribute to the new Core Curriculum?

Participants will receive honoraria of \$1000 for two day workshops, \$1500 for three day workshops, or \$2000 for four day workshops. (Faculty who have received Curriculum Transformation and Curriculum Development honoraria are also eligible to participate in Summer Workshops and to receive Workshop Honoraria).

Reading materials will be provided and a web site for each workshop will be created. All workshop participants will be expected to submit a syllabus for Core Curriculum approval to the relevant Faculty Core Committee by September 30, 2008. Guidelines and criteria for Core Curriculum approval will be announced. The workshops will provide support in developing syllabi with explicit assessment plans, and in articulating connections between student learning objectives and activities/ assignments.

For additional information about specific workshops, you may contact one of the members of the Core Curriculum Implementation Team or one of the workshop facilitators.

Thank you

Diane Jonte-Pace, Vice Provost, and the Core Curriculum Implementation Team (Phyllis Brown, Barbara Molony, Carol Ann Gittens, Bob Senkewicz, and Phil Kesten)

*Other summer dates, FYI:

June 19 - July 2, Annual Technology and Pedagogy Workshop

Facilitators: Nancy Cutler, Michael Ballen

July 10 - July 29 Summer Orientation for first year students

Facilitators: Jennifer Weller and Nedra Shunk

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