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FALL 2008 FLEX

The Professional Development Committee and the Academic and Classified Senates proudly present Fall 2008 Flex, a three day bonanza of workshops at both EDC and FLC campuses designed by faculty and staff. Join your colleagues as we explore teaching methods, new technologies, basic skills, student success, employee morale, and the community we are creating as our institution grows.

Tom Caramagno, Professional Development Chair

Gordon Lam, Academic Senate President

Scott Crow, Classified Senate President

Wednesday, August 20th

10am-12noon

World Café: Conversations that Matter

Community Room C-102, EDC

Intense, leaderless, heart-felt discussions of issues important to us as a community. (Presented by: Lisa Sapra, Tasneem Sah, and Tom Caramagno)

12noon-1pm

Meet 'n Greet Potluck

Community Room C-102, EDC

Bring some finger food to share and join us as we get reacquainted after a long summer and talk shop about the coming semester. Adjunct faculty are especially encouraged to come. (Presented by: Alice Textor)

1-2:15pm

An Introduction to Queer Theory

C-101, EDC

A method for reading texts (from literature, history, music, art, culture, politics, etc.) from anti-homophobic perspectives by critically thinking about the cultural constructions and representations of sexuality. Highly interdisciplinary, QT borrows heavily from philosophy, anthropology, sociology, linguistics, and cultural studies. Its practice is not limited to gays and lesbians but anyone who wants to think critically about expressions of identity. (Presented by: Tom Caramagno)

or

Microsoft Workshop

C-202, EDC

"What is my "H" drive? What should I put there? What shouldn't I put there?" (Presented by Roger Morris, Darren Takemoto)

2:30-3:45pm

Memory Research and its Applications in Undergraduate Instruction

C-101, EDC

This presentation will review several classic and recent empirical findings about the nature of human learning and memory, and encourage thought and discussion about ways these findings might be applied to improve undergraduate teaching and assessment. (Presented by: Sean Fannon)

or

FIRST CONTACT... and Navigating the Outreach Channel

C-214, EDC

Our participation in the success of our students begins with our first contact with them, and the outreach staff wants to supply you with first contact tools: informative materials for addressing and navigating the outreach channel. Join us for a brief overview of the FLC Outreach Department's 2008-2009 Mission, Focus and Goals, learn what materials and processes have been standardized to support you as an ambassador of Folsom Lake College, both on campus and in our community, and get the 411 on upcoming outreach opportunities in 2008-09. (Presented by: Von Bielefeld and Sarah Aldea)

4-6pm

Field Trip to Sierra Pacific Industries' Camino Mill

Meet at B-243, EDC

See science and industry get green. SPI operates co-generation plants that recycle wood waste into electricity for powering its plants, with excess electricity sold to local utilities and energy service providers. (Presented by: Dale van Dam)

Thursday, August 21st

9:15-10:30am

Introducing Desire2Learn (D2L)

FL1-35, FLC

Join us for an introduction to D2L, the District's new Learning Management System (LMS). If you are a Blackboard user, or want to add online components to your classes, come learn about the powerful interactive features of D2L. (Presented by: Zack Dowell)

or

Demystifying SLO Assessment.

FL1-8, FLC

You'll hear about how SLOs can help you track and document the learning that takes place in your classrooms. (Presented by: Brian Robinson)

10:45am-12noon

Embracing Diversity & the DSPS Student: Student & Faculty Panel Discussion

FL1-8, FLC

This panel will 1) provide faculty with a deeper understanding of students with disabilities and the support services we offer them; 2) discuss eligibility requirements, faculty and student responsibilities, and the provision of accommodations to students; 3) give guidance for such tricky issues as extra time on tests, note taker services, learning disabilities, and conflict resolution. (Presented by: Tim McHargue and Tasneem Sah)

or

Curriculum Training Sessions

FL1-7, FLC

Accreditation and Program Review necessitate that we update our course curriculum on a regular basis. If your department has a course with a last review date of 2003, it will be out of compliance when the accreditation visit happens next year. The Curriculum committee would love to help you with course revisions. At this workshop, we will help you open up a course revision and illuminate the mysteries of updating the various sections of your curriculum. (Presented by: Matt Torrez and Kevin Pipkin)

or

Teaching Technology in the Classroom II

FL1-109, FLC

A sequel to last spring's successful workshop, this hands-on session will help you gain the expertise to use the most "sought-after" form of technology that faculty want to use in their classroom to make them better instructors. (Presented by: Bernard Gibson)

12noon-1pm

Area Meetings & Lunch

Rooms below, FLC

Languages & Literature, Social & Behavioral Sciences, Humanities: FL1-104

PE/CTE: FL5-211

Math, Science, Library, IT Engineering, Business: FL1-8

Counseling & Student Life: Pictel

Visual & Performing Arts: FL1-104

1-3pm

Beyond IBA (Interest Based Approach)

FL1-113, FLC

This interactive workshop will serve as a refresher for the key principles, concepts and process of IBA, along with some fun group practice. Best for employees who have attended IBA training before. Refreshments served. For questions, call 916.568.3106 (Presented by: Carlos Lopez, Rochelle Franco, and Patricia Harris-Jenkinson)

or

1-2:15pm

The Five Minds of Howard Gardner

FL1-8, FLC

Gardner challenges us to prepare our students for a time of accelerating change and information overload. His "five minds"- disciplined, synthesizing, creating, respectful and ethical - are ways of thinking we can train our students in for a full range of human endeavors, including education, business, science, art, politics, and engineering. (Presented by: Marsha Peralta, Linda Abraham, Mary Hansen, Lisa Sapa, Tim McHargue, and Margaret Welty)

or

Microsoft Workshop

FL1-35, FLC

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2:30-3:45pm

A Guided Hitchhike Through FLC's Information Galaxy

FL1-35, FLC

Stow your tray tables and strap yourself in for a hyperlinked exploration of resources supporting both faculty and classified staff in their various roles at FLC. See demos of cool stuff coming online for 2008-09, how existing systems have been updated in response to your requests, and just generally where to find what. This session is a great opportunity to help define what FLC's evolving information galaxy will ultimately contain. A truly scintillating alternative to the Vogon poetry reading originally planned for this time slot. (Presented by: Chris Olson)

or

Beyond the Red Pen: Reaching Basic Writers in Transfer-Level Courses

FL1-7, FLC

Basic Skills writers (students who have tested below college level in writing) don't just show up in Basic Writing courses but in many of our transfer-level

courses, where they struggle to succeed. Two experienced basic skills writing instructors share some simple ways to both design and assess writing assignments across the curriculum that will provide your struggling writers with more opportunities to succeed. (Presented by: Tina Royer and Janay Levering)

or

2:30-5:30pm

Blood Borne/Hazardous Materials Training

FL2-211, FLC

Required by law for some faculty members: ECE, Studio Art, Biology, Chemistry, etc. (Presented by: Mary Hansen, Linda Abraham, and Marjorie Samples)

4-5:15pm

Art Workshop and Play Theory

FL2-159, FLC

Press Play. Make magic. Trick time. Access Art. Do you ever feel like you are teaching too hard? In this workshop you will learn how to make more of your cool, calm, and creative juices. Use the principles of Art and Play to put more art and fun into your learning outcomes. FLC adjunct art instructor (and all round good egg), Margaret Welty, will be drawing from her 18 years of teaching Art at EDC and the Placerville Center to construct some hopefully "Aha!" moments or at the very least some FUN! All supplies are included. Wear clothes that are comfortable and OK if a little paint or other art stuff lands on you. (Presented by: Margaret Welty)

or

4-5:30pm

Showing of "What's Race Got to Do With It?"

FL1-8, FLC

This 49 minute film contains pedagogical advice on race relations on campus. It can help faculty, counselors, student affairs directors, parents, and especially students realize that tension around race need not be avoided or denied but confronted and worked through. Showing this film in your class will provide a safe opportunity for students with limited diversity awareness to discuss these important issues. (Presented by: Diana Tinoco and Tom Caramagno)

5:30 -7:30pm

Adjunct Dinner, Information & Networking Session

Community Room FL1-20, FLC

Adjunct faculty are invited to dinner and conversation with the Los Rios College Federation of Teachers—FLC representatives. This meal and mixer provides a casual environment for faculty to ask questions and receive answers about workplace issues, including scheduling, hiring preference, performance review, benefits, professional development, and much more. Understanding the union contract empowers all faculty to fully participate in college activities and to develop the resources needed to become better educators. RSVP to help us in planning the amount of food, but all are welcome even as drop ins. Contact K.C. Boylan at boylank@flc.losrios.edu and 916-608-6628. (Presented by: LRCFT)

Friday, August 22nd

8:30-11am

Continental Breakfast

Falcon's Roost, FLC

9-9:30am

Motivational Speaker: Katie Hern. EdD (Educational Leadership)

FL3-173, FLC

Once a Dean of Academic Affairs at John F. Kennedy University, Hern returned to the classroom with its challenges, its crises of confidence, and its victories. At Chabot College, she is co-coordinator of a Hewlett-Carnegie grant to Strengthen Pre-collegiate Education in Community Colleges (SPECC), coordinator of the Springboard to Transfer Learning Community, and Chair of the Basic Skills Committee.

9:30-11:30am

World Café: Conversations that Matter

Falcon's Roost, FLC

Intense, leaderless, heart-felt discussions of issues important to us. Why Do Good Students Fail? A gap exists between ability and performance. Students can earn passing grades on individual assignments, then withdraw (emotionally, intellectually or physically) or fail class outright, leading to teacher confusion and demoralization. Katie Hern will join us in a World Café conversation as a colleague who faces the same issues: cultivating motivation, lifting morale, raising awareness of competition between students, covert self-sabotage, and increasing retention rates. (Presented by: Katie Hern, Marsha Peralta, Linda Abraham, Alice Textor, Lisa Sapa, and Tom Caramagno)

11:30am-12noon

Drum Circle

Falcon's Roost, FLC

A Drum Circle will reinvigorate our spirits after a long session of sitting down. Be prepared for Major Blood Pumpage. 25 drums are available; no prior musical experience required. We'll form a circle around the circle, generating enough concentric & concentrated energy to last a semester! Interpretive dance--your option. (Presented by: Larry Metcalf)

12noon-1pm

Meet, Greet and Eat Potluck

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Bring some finger food to share and join us as we introduce and get to know each other. Adjunct faculty are especially welcome. (Presented by: Academic and Classified Senates)

1-2:30pm

Convocation with a District Update from the Chancellor

FL3-173, FLC

(Presented by: Administration and Chancellor Brice Harris)

2:30-3:30pm

Faculty Forum

FL3-173, FLC

(Presented by: Gordon Lam)

3:30-4:30pm

Department Meetings

Rooms below, FLC

- Anthropology: FL1-203
- Art: FL2-154
- Biology: FL2-119
- Business: FL1 Breakroom
- Chemistry: FL2-207
- CIS: TBA
- Comm. Studies: FL1-153
- Counseling: FL1-204
- ECE: FL4-135
- English: RWM Center
- ESL: FL1-232
- History: FL5-113
- Humanities: FL5-112
- Library/IT: FL1-35
- Math: FL1-104
- Physical Education: FL1-207
- Physics: FL2-211
- Political Science: TBA
- Psychology: FL4-121
- Spanish: FL2-246

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