Fifteenth College-wide Graduate Assistant Colloquium on Teaching and Learning

Moon Library

Thursday, August 23, 2007

8:00  Registration and Continental Breakfast

8:30  Welcome, Introductions, and Overview
Goals, background, and schedule of the program as well as staff, participants, and materials will be presented

Dr. Chuck Spuches, Associate Dean and 2007 Teaching Fellows

9:00  Exploring Learning Styles: Diversity in Education
In this session, you will consider characteristics of some of your most memorable teachers along with strategies for understanding and accommodating your and your students’ diverse learning needs and styles.

Dr. Chuck Spuches

9:45  Can You Hear Me Now?
This session will enable you to employ strategies to promote open communication among your faculty supervisor, other graduate students, and undergraduate students.

Nate Anderson, Teaching Fellow

10:30  Break
10:45  **Teaching Strategies: Your Instructional Toolbox**

At the end of this session you will have strategies for challenging and facilitating your and your students’ learning in large classes, small-group recitations, and other settings. YOU WILL CHOOSE TWO OF THE FOLLOWING:

Presentations and Discussions:  *Ginny Collins*, Teaching Fellow  
*Dr. Donald Leopold*, Environmental and Forest Biology, Distinguished Teaching Professor

Labs and Field Experiences:  *Nate Anderson*, Teaching Fellow  
*Dr. David Johnson*, Chemistry Professor

Projects / Studios:  *Wendy Baltzersen*, Teaching Fellow  
*Prof. Anthony Miller*, Landscape Architecture Lecturer

12:00  **Lunch: Points of View from Faculty, GAs, and Students**

Remarks by:  
*Dr. Dudley Raynal*, Dean, Instruction and Graduate Studies  
*Dr. Bruce Bongarten*, Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs  
Faculty Chairs and Graduate Coordinators

1:00  **The GA’s Role in Instructional Technology Integration**

As a result of this session you will be aware of the range of media production and presentation technology resources available to you and your supervising faculty, and know who to contact for orientation, training, and use.

*Mr. Ross Jacobs / Mr. Christopher Baycura*, Instructional Technology Service  
*Nate Anderson*, Teaching Fellow

2:15  **Break**

2:30  **Graduate Assistant and Undergraduate Student Panel: Reality Check**

This session will provide you with strategies for challenging yourself and your students; maintaining a professional demeanor in your role as a graduate assistant and as a role model for your students; and prioritizing your responsibilities

*Wendy Baltzersen*, Teaching Fellow

3:15  **Thursday Wrap-up and Classroom Assessment Techniques**

Demonstration of a Classroom Assessment Technique.  
*Katherina Searing and 2007 Teaching Fellows*

3:30  **Human Resources Information**

This session will help you to use the health and other benefits available to you as a GA.  
*Mr. Timothy Blehar*, Personnel Associate and *Katie McGohan*, Teaching Fellow

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8:30
The Mindful Path
Dr. Scott Treatman, Crouse Hospital, Director of Employee Health Services
Ginny Collins, Teaching Fellow

9:00
Assessment & Evaluation: How to Know What Students Are Learning
At the end of this session you will be able to articulate the importance of providing timely feedback to your students; have strategies for evaluating your students through the use of quizzes, exams, papers, projects, and other assignments; and have strategies for assessing and improving your teaching effectiveness. PLEASE CHOOSE TWO OF THE FOLLOWING:

- Papers / Written Work: Katie McGohan, Teaching Fellow
  Prof. Benette Whitmore, Environmental Studies Instructor

- Quizzes / Exams: Katherina Searing, Teaching Fellow
  Dr. Stephen Stehman, Forest and Natural Resource Management Associate Professor

- Projects / Presentations: Nate Anderson, Teaching Fellow
  Professor George Curry, Landscape Architecture Distinguished Teaching Professor

10:15
Break

10:30
ESF’s Libraries: An Overview and Introduction
This session will introduce you to the range of library resources and services available to you and your supervising faculty, as well as to inform you who to contact for further information

Ms. Elizabeth Elkins, Director, College Libraries

10:45
EPA Inspection Awareness
This session will provide you with information and materials pertinent to EPA inspections on campus.

Mr. John Wasiel, Environmental Health and Safety Officer

11:00
Facing the Challenge: Where the Rubber Meets the Road
Multimedia roundtable discussion on potentially challenging situations.

Ginny Collin and Katie McGohan, Teaching Fellows and 2007 Teaching Fellows
Mr. Mark Scimone, Associate Director Office of Human Resources
Dr. Raydora Drummer, Director of Multicultural Affairs
Dr. James Hassett, Chair, Environmental Resources and Forest Engineering
1992 Chancellor’s Award for Teaching

Dr. Sharon Moran, Assistant Professor, Environmental Studies
Dr. Dudley Raynal, Dean, Instruction and Graduate Studies
Mr. Kevin Reynolds, Police Officer, University Police
Mr. Thomas Slocum, Director, Career Planning and Counseling Services
Dr. Chuck Spuches, Associate Dean, Outreach, Instructional Quality and Technology
Dr. Lindi Quackenbush, Assistant Professor, Environmental Resources and Forest Engineering
11:45  Program Evaluation

12:00  Concluding Remarks

  Dr. Neil Murphy, President

12:15  Group Photo

  Katherina Searing, Teaching Fellow

12:30  Lunch and Individual or Small Group Consultations with Human Resources Staff (benefits), Faculty Chairs and/or Supervising Faculty

  Optional 30 Minute Campus Resource Tour

  Wendy Baltzersen and Katherina Searing, Teaching Fellow

  Colloquium Follow Up

  As an extension of the Colloquium you are encouraged to take advantage of the following resources:

  Seminar on College Teaching: open to all ESF graduate students. EFB797 – or FOR797

  Fall 2004, Mondays 2:30 – 3:50 PM, Room 16 Illick, 1 credit, C. Spuches Instructor

  ESFIQ (www.esf.edu/IQ): an outline of teaching and learning resources and events

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