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## FACULTY DEVELOPMENT: ASSIGNMENT ALIGNMENT

Assignment Alignment is the theme for 2018-2019 faculty professional development. A variety of opportunities to learn more about this concept will be available throughout the year.

This fall, the Faculty Development Conference opens with a welcome address from Dr. Brenda Kihl on Thursday, August 16th, at the Preston Ridge Conference Center on the Frisco campus at 8:30 a.m. Following Dr. Kihl will be our guest speaker, Dr. Loraine Phillips, Associate Provost for Academic Effectiveness at Georgia Tech. Dr. Phillips formerly served as the assistant provost for Institutional Effectiveness and Reporting at the University of Texas at Arlington. During her 25 years in higher education, she has also held positions at Texas A&M and Blinn College. As the founding chair of LEAP Texas, Dr. Phillips has extensive experience in curriculum development, assessment, and Texas higher education.

Come early to enjoy coffee, a continental breakfast and camaraderie with your colleagues beginning at 8 a.m.

## FROM THE OFFICE OF THE ASSOCIATE PROVOST

## CHANGING NARRATIVES AND PROMOTING ANALYTIC SKILLS: PREPARING STUDENTS FOR TRANSFER

by Dr. Don Weasenforth, Vice President/Provost, Frisco Campus

With an eye on success at Collin and beyond, Professor Lisa Roy-Davis assists students with creating personal narratives that include both transfer and analytic skills that serve students well whether they transfer or not.

Professor Roy-Davis notes that impoverished narratives undermine the success of students. These narratives take the forms of "I'm not good at writing/math..." or "I'm not cut out for university work." Too many students see education as something that "is done to them" instead of an intentional pursuit. She assists students in "pulling the threads" of their narratives to help them envision a pathway to academic success and remove barriers along the way.

Among the ways Professor Roy-Davis helps students change their narratives are career assignments and practice in critical analysis. These can be applied in any class and in any discipline. Her career assignment involves research into a profession or career, including investigation of a professional organization, examination of a scholarly article and an interview with a professional in the field. This research culminates in an annotated bibliography, a profile and a poster presentation of a degree or program.

In teaching critical analysis, Professor Roy-Davis uses work by David Rosenwasser, recipient of multiple distinguished instructor awards. To help students "dig into the nuts and bolts" of ideas, she applies Rosenwasser's five steps, beginning with suspending judgement to remain impartial. This important skill is followed by focusing on what is interesting, revealing and strange. Statements following "because," as in "This idea is interesting because...," represent analysis. Next comes asking "So what?" and then looking for patterns and pushing into bigger questions. Practicing all of these in the classroom environment shows students how much they can do, replacing their impoverished narratives with enriched narratives of success.

# **UPDATES FROM THECB, DOE, ...**

In July 2018, SACSCOC issued a new policy on Dual Enrollment, reminding institutions that all dual credit courses and programs must comply with the Principles of Accreditation. Among other items, the new policy clarifies the "instructor of record." The policy can be found at www.sacscoc.org/pdf/081705/Dual Enrollment.pdf. The Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board is currently reviewing the policy and will issue their opinion in the next few months.

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# FACULTY DEVELOPMENT: ASSOCIATE FACULTY ACADEMY

It's here! The Associate Faculty Academy kicks off this fall with a round of sessions focusing on preparation for the full-time employment hiring process and maximizing opportunities at Collin College. Future modules will cover a wide variety of topics from pedagogy to student resources. Each session will be offered four times, at different Collin College locations. Be sure to bring your CV to Session One, "What to Know Before Applying!" Dates, times and places are listed below. Register here by October 24th, 5:00 p.m.

October 29, 5:30 p.m. - Frisco Campus, J108

October 30, 5:30 p.m. - Plano Campus, G219

November 1, 5:30 p.m. - McKinney Campus, B107

November 3, 9:00 a.m. - Collin Higher Education Center, 106

Don't forget to submit your proposal to present at the January Faculty Development Conference. The Call for Proposals link appeared in the September Teaching & Learning Newsletter and is still available on the CougarWeb Teaching and Learning website.

**Notice:** *Collaborations*, the Associate Faculty Conference, is scheduled for Saturday, February 23, 2019. The "Call for Proposals" is not quite ready to be released. Please watch for more information via email and in the November Teaching & Learning newsletter.

# **UPDATES FROM THECB, DOE,...**

This is an exciting time for Collin College. En route to implementation, the many new initiatives, programs and sites require both internal and external scrutiny and approval, resulting in a significant increase in the lead times required for preparing the various reports. Therefore, the first steps towards creating the Collin College Fifth-Year Interim Report, as part of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on College reaffirmation process, have already begun.

In September, meetings were held with cabinet members to distribute the questions whose answers will form the basis for the Fifth-Year Interim Report. The image below depicts the timeline for completion of the Fifth-Year Interim Report.

## TIMELINE FOR SACSCOC FIFTH-YEAR INTERIM REPORT Sept 2018 ✓ Distribute Key Questions Feb 2019 Receive Responses to Key Questions Request Missing Answers/Documentation May - Aug 2019 Follow up on Needed Information Sept - Dec 2019 Create Report Jan 2020 - June 2020 **Edit Report** July 2020 Complete Final Review Aug 2020 Submit Report

## PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT **OPPORTUNITIES**

**Human Resources Professional Development Workshop** October 26, 2018 **Tarrant County College District** 

2nd Annual K-12/Higher Education **Counselor Advisor Summit** October 31 2018

**Education Service Center Region 11** 

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## **FACULTY DEVELOPMENT**

As we finish the fall semester and prepare for the spring, it is good to know that a variety of professional development opportunities still exist on all three campuses. Check out the Cougarweb Teaching and Learning Faculty Development Resources page to access the electronic calendar showing many of these events. The calendar link appears in the upper right-hand corner. Click on it, and then double click on any event to see the details. The calendar lets you quickly see important dates such as the January Division Meetings with the Deans, department meetings, All College Day and the January 2019 Faculty Conference.

The Faculty Professional Development Committee is excited about the sessions you and your colleagues will be leading at this January's Faculty Development Conference, scheduled for Thursday, January 10th. A continental breakfast will be available beginning at 8:30 AM and lunch will be provided; both will have vegetarian options available. Other special menus can no longer be accommodated.

# LL FOR PROPOSALS

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PROPOSALS: DUE JAN. 22, 2019 AT WWW.SURVEYMONKEY/R/PROPOSALS2019

REGISTRATION: WWW.SURVEYMONKEY.COM/R/2019COLLABORATIONS

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Wondering how the mid-term elections might affect higher education? The Association of Community College Trustees (ACCT) Government Affairs Office issued a brief statement about what *might* happen.

- House Democrats will be able to set the House calendar and Committee leadership in the house will change.
- The House Committee on Education and the Workforce could hold oversight hearings on a number of topics, including ED's proposed changes to guidance and regulations under Title IX, borrower defense to repayment, and Gainful Employment.
- The prospect of a full reauthorization of the Higher Education Act (HEA) remains murky. The Republican sponsored PROSPER Act would not be able to advance under the incoming leadership. House Democrats introduced their own HEA reauthorization bill (the Aim Higher Act ) this summer. While that bill could potentially advance in a Democratically held House, it would face an uphill battle in the Senate. If negotiations were to commence, it's unlikely that either sponsor would reintroduce a partisan HEA bill at the start of the 116th Congress.
- While a full-HEA reauthorization may not be in the immediate offing, there is potential to see an infrastructure investment bill move forward, as well as a budget deal that could raise certain funding caps for fiscal year 2020.
- The House Committee on Education and the Workforce could look to advance smaller bipartisan HEA-related bills in the near-term.
- Despite partisan gridlock, there should be a number of opportunities for community college leaders to advocate for and potentially advance priorities in 2019.

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## **FACULTY DEVELOPMENT**



While everyone is grading papers, preparing finals, and winding down the semester, others around the college have been planning for the next academic year. Don't kill the messenger but **August** is only a few months away! Here's what to expect when you return from your summer break (for those lucky enough to get one!).

Tuesday, August 13-New Faculty Orientation will be held from 10 a.m. until 3 p.m.

Wednesday, August 14-Full-Time Faculty report to work. It's a sound part som busy day! In the morning, Academic Deans will hold their division

meetings. Check with your Dean for the location. At 1 p.m. in the afternoon, the Workforce and Field of Study Discipline Leads will meet in CHEC 107. The Transfer **Programs and Core Discipline Leads Meeting** is at 2:30 p.m. in the same room.

Thursday, August 15-Fall 2019 Faculty Development Conference will be held at the Plano Campus, Living Legends Conference Center. The Faculty Development Task Force has been working to find the perfect speaker and negotiations are underway. Watch for more information in your mailbox this summer.

Friday, August 16-All College Day. Watch your email for more information.

Monday, August 19-Core Objectives Assessment Team (COAT) will hold their first meeting of the new academic year in CHEC 225 at 3 p.m. At the McKinney Campus, the Dual Credit Faculty Orientation is 3-4:30 p.m. in Pike Hall and the Associate Faculty Meeting is in the Conference Center. The buffet/networking starts at 5:30 p.m. and the Welcome begins at 6 p.m.

Tuesday, August 20-Mentor Training Sessions will be held 9-10 a.m. at the Frisco Campus in J121 and from 3-4 p.m. at CHEC in room 114. At the Frisco Campus, the Dual Credit Faculty Orientation is at 3-4:30 p.m. in L135 and the Associate Faculty Meeting is in the Conference Center. The buffet/networking starts at 5:30 p.m. and the Welcome begins

Wednesday, August 21-Mentor Training Sessions will be held 11a.m. to noon at the McKinney Campus in B107 and from 1-2 p.m. at the Plano Campus in D104. At the Plano Campus, the Dual Credit Faculty Orientation is at 3-4:30 p.m. in C104 and the Associate Faculty Meeting is in the Conference Center. The buffet/networking starts at 5:30 p.m. and the Welcome begins at 6 p.m.

Thursday, August 22-Service Learning Adventure Camp will be held at the Heard Natural Science Museum from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Contact Terry Hockenbrough at 972.881.5900 for more information or to sign up. The QEP Coordinator is conducting **Academic Planning Coach Training** from 9 a.m. to noon in CHEC 107 and 1-4 p.m. in CHEC 225. Watch your email for more information. The What's What? New Faculty **Symposium** will have its first meeting of the academic year at 1 p.m. in CHEC 107.

Friday, August 23-Council of Excellence will hold its first meeting at CHEC in room 105 at 11 a.m.

Monday, August 26-Classes begin!

Friday, August 30-Faculty Council has its first meeting in CHEC 139 at 12:30 p.m.

Have a *great summer* and remember to check your email periodically during the summer for updates to the August schedule.

# "Smell the sea and feel the sky. Let your soul and spirit fly." —Van Morrison

### PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT **OPPORTUNITIES**

#### **NISOD International Conference** on Teaching and Leadership **Excellence**

May 25-28, 2019 Austin, TX www.nisod.org

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June 2-4, 2019 Las Colinas, TX www.tccia.org

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