Why participate in Faculty Inquiry Groups?

- to meet with colleagues to discuss and/or research a particular issue related to teaching your discipline
- to meet with other interested colleagues for an informal discussion of teaching and learning
- to collaborate with other faculty to research and discuss a specific topic or project that will have an impact on student learning
- to learn and share ideas around a common theme or question in teaching and learning
- to continue to develop professionally as a college teacher and faculty member

Guidelines for forming and maintaining a Faculty Inquiry Group:

- Groups may be from the same discipline or cross-disciplinary.
- Each group must have a specific focal topic, issue, concern, question, project, or problem that it will spend the term and/or year addressing.

Topics of recent FIGS:

- Best practices in laboratory activities for introductory biology courses.
- Research and strategies to help underprepared students move onto career and college pathways.
- Teaching online in the sciences
- Examining a critical work that argues for sweeping changes in composition instruction
- Topics of mutual concern for Physics and Mathematics instruction

For more information about any of these programs, please visit the FPD website at: http://lanecc.edu/fpd

or contact:
Adrienne Mitchell,
FPD Coordinator
mitchella@lanecc.edu
541-463-5871
More Faculty Professional Development Programs

* Interested in giving an academic and/or artistic presentation on campus? FPD's Academic Colloquia program sponsors these talks, and presenters are awarded a $200 honorarium. Find details and the proposal form at http://lanecc.edu/fpd/colloquia.html

* Would you like to attend a conference, take a course, or study online? FPD offers up to $2400 for such expenses (including registration, travel, food, lodging, etc.) every three years for eligible faculty members through our Professional Activities Program. All contracted faculty as well as part-time faculty with an annual average of .2FTE and one year teaching at Lane are eligible. Details and the online application are available at: http://lanec.edu/fpd/grants/proacti

* New Faculty? Are you new to Lane or would you like to become more integrated in the life of the college? Pair up with a mentor, attend social events and participate in the Fall orientation program by contacting current Faculty Connections Coordinator, Dennis Gilbert. Participants will be awarded $200 honoraria. Participants may be invited to share the results of their projects and discussions with colleagues at LCC, and are encouraged to consider presenting an Academic Colloquium.

* Need funds for professional memberships and journal subscriptions? Disciplines can apply for up to $500 per year for memberships and subscriptions. More information is available at: http://lanec.edu/fpd/grants/discipcontactgrants.html

* Would you like confidential feedback on your teaching? Experienced faculty with teaching expertise are available to observe your classes and meet with you to de-brief afterward. Find out more at: http://www.lanecc.edu/fpd/classroomobservation.html

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One faculty member must agree to facilitate the group. This person will arrange and announce meeting times, dates, and locations; manage the group's finances; and make any necessary arrangements for the group's activities. The facilitator is also responsible for submitting a brief report after the final meeting that lists the members who attended and summarizes each of the meetings in a few sentences.

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Groups may be awarded up to $500 for a guest speaker, materials, etc.

All faculty members are eligible to participate.

How can I apply?

First, complete the proposal Form online at: http://lanec.edu/fpd/facultyinquirygroups.html.

For further information, or to discuss a possible focus topic for your group, please contact the FPD Coordinator, Adrienne Mitchell at: mitchella@lanecc.edu

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"We delight in the beauty of the butterfly but rarely admit the changes it has gone through to achieve that beauty" —Maya Angelou
Thank Your FPD Committees

The success of FPD lies with its committees. FPD would like to thank the following committee members for their dedication in serving the faculty of Lane Community College.

FPD Oversight:
- Pat Boleyn, PT representative
- Dennis Gilbert, Science
- Christine Grutta, ABSE
- Mary Lou Lynch, Family & Health Careers
- Judy McKenzie, ALS
- Satoko Motouji, Art
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- Jim Salt, LCCEA
- Michael Samano, Social S.
- Doug Smyth, Counseling
- Merrill Watrous, Cooperative Education

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- Roma Cusimano, LLC
- Lee Imonen, Art
- Michael Samano, Social S.

Unpaid Sabbatical Leave:
- Jeffrey Borrowdale, Social Sci.
- Stephen Johnston, ALS

Class Observations:
- Susan Reddoor, ALS

Upcoming Colloquium:
Faculty member Karen Krumrey will present, “East Meets West/ Muslim meets Christian Worlds,” about her international CIEE experience at 3 p.m., Feb. 17th.

Teaching Squares, Spring:
Observe other instructors in action and discuss teaching with colleagues in a small group by participating in FPD’s popular program. Participants are awarded a stipend, and more information is available online at: http://lanecc.edu/fpd/teachingsquares.html

Sabbatical Deadline:
4:00 p.m. on Tuesday, February 8th is the application deadline for paid sabbaticals for the 2011-2012 academic year. Details online at: http://www.lanecc.edu/fpd/grants/sabbatical/paid/

Faculty Connections Coordinator Search
Contracted faculty members are eligible for this position to coordinate Lane’s comprehensive new faculty orientation program. Application materials are due to Tamara Pinkas by 5:00 p.m. on Monday, January 31, 2011. Details are online at: http://www.lanecc.edu/fpd/

Only Connect: Integrative Learning and Student Success Workshop April 21-22:
Details online at: http://www.lanecc.edu/lc/fresources/IntegrativeLearning.htm

Professional Activities:
- Cathy Grant-Churchwell, Bus.
- James Fenton, ALS
- Bev Hickey, Family & Health Careers
- Sylvie Matalon-Florendo, LLC
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- Nadia Raza, Social Science
- Susan Reddoor, ALS

Faculty Inquiry Groups:
- Velda Arnaud, Business
- Paul Bunson, Science

T2T/Teaching Squares Collaboration:
- Meredith Keene-Wilson, Media Arts
- Adrienne Mitchell, FPD

FPD Coordinator:
- Adrienne Mitchell

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- Roxanne Young, POD

“Every time I’ve made a radical change, it’s helped me feel buoyant as an artist.”
-David Bowie