Call for project proposals

Course Design with Student Engagement in Mind

During the past 25 years the educational community has learned a great deal about what motivates students to deeply engage in their own learning. We have moved from a teacher-centered classroom to one that is learner-centered, where, in addition to lecturing, the role of the teacher is to facilitate structured opportunities for students who then take on an active role and ownership of their learning.

In this working retreat George Rehrey, Principal Instructional Consultant with IUB's Center for Innovative Teaching and Learning, will guide participants through a set of highly interactive processes and activities as they develop a new course or transform an existing course by using a four-step backward course design method. By the end of the retreat, participants can expect to have determined learning outcomes for their students and outlined a major final assignment (or exam) that gathers evidence about the extent to which students have achieved those outcomes. They will also have the opportunity to lay out a basic calendar for the course they are developing and to map and align assignments, grading strategies and class activities that motivate students to achieve the learning outcomes they have delineated.

Thursday, May 19 and Friday, May 20
8:30 am - 5 pm
Walb Classic Ballroom (WU 126)

This 2-day retreat is jointly sponsored by 5 local universities and will accommodate 30 faculty participants, six of which will represent IPFW. To be considered for this faculty development opportunity you must be a full-time faculty member (tenured, tenure-track, and non-tenure track, such as Continuing Lecturers; visiting faculty are not eligible), commit to attending both days of the event, and submit a brief online application by April 1, 2016. Projects that are significant to the campus or to a specific program, such as a course required for a major, a general education course, or a course with many sections, will be given priority. Visit the CELT main web page to submit your application under Upcoming Events. Authors of accepted proposals will be notified by April 15, 2016.

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