

A Faculty Professional Development Academy

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West Los Angeles College | Spring 2019

Each year, West welcomes a group of outstanding new faculty to our academic community. **The Faculty Professional Development Academy: West Connect** includes events for new and tenure-track faculty to provide information and resources; opportunities to expand perspectives by interacting and exchanging ideas with peers; and workshops relating to practical topics, instructional strategies, and implications for teaching.

The events are intended primarily for new and tenure-track faculty, and all faculty are welcome to attend. *According to our Collective Bargaining Agreement (CBA) in Article 13.8.d. full time tenured faculty members are obligated contractually to serve in one committee. The participation of these faculty members in three events per semester organized by the Faculty Professional Development Academy, during their first year as probationary faculty, meets this contractual obligation. Faculty not using the Professional Development Academy to fulfill their committee obligation may use attendance to these workshops for Flex Credit.*

Unless otherwise noted, workshops are scheduled on Fridays.

Please RSVP to Mary-Jo Apigo at apigomj@wla.edu.

February

S	M	T	W	T	F	S
27	28	29	30	31	1	2
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24	25	26	27	28	1	2

Spring Summit: Creating Inclusive Spaces -

Professional Learning Subcommittee & the Student Success

Committee | February 8 | 8:30 am-2:30 pm | TBD

We're getting active for West's Spring Summit 2019! Faculty, staff, and administrators will put on their sneakers to participate in an Equity Walk around our beautiful campus. Together, we will uncover the messages physical spaces convey to students and examine how these may affect their ability to succeed. This is a great opportunity to get our steps in while figuring out how we could reinforce existing resources at West to better support all students. Registration details to follow.

Turn over for more workshops.

The Faculty Professional Development Academy – West Connect has been developed in collaboration between the Academic Senate, AFT Faculty Guild, and Office of Teaching & Learning.

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March

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Transfer Honors Program Faculty Info Session and Curriculum Process

Transfer Honors & Academic Affairs | March 8 | 10:00 am-12:00 pm | Winlock

During the first half of this workshop, faculty will learn about the Transfer Honors Program. The presentation will include a discussion about program requirements and benefits as well as a review of appropriate assignments and responsibilities faculty can assign for honors credit in their courses. Then, we'll discuss West's Curriculum Processes.

Third Annual Creative Edge Creativity Conference

Creativity Studies | April 27 | 10:00 am-3:00 pm | FA-100

This "un-conference" will be truly interdisciplinary. The theme is "The Creative Edge" (and it may be interpreted very loosely). We are very interested in presentations that explore creativity, creative living, and creative ways of giving back to the community in a diverse range of fields and careers. Conference attendance will be open to the public with a strong core of student volunteers and attendees. We would like each session to give participants a "take away" and for the conference to be interactive and fun, pointing the way to leading creative and fulfilling lives.

April

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May

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8th Annual LACCD Student Success Initiative Annual Retreat

LACCD Office of Student Success | May 17 | 8:30 am – 3:30 pm | TBD

Please join us for the 8th Annual LACCD Student Success Initiative Retreat. Our guest speakers will be addressing topics important to our campuses and will provide resources that can assist us in our planning for next academic year. Also, we will be showcasing the SSI Summits from this year, as well as planning our collective SSI activities together for 2019-2020 school year. Registration details to follow.