

Hello all,

I am very excited to be the new Coordinator of Faculty Professional Development at College of DuPage. This is a watershed moment for Faculty Professional Development at the College, and I can't believe I have been given the opportunity to play an important role in the evolution (or maybe even revolution) of this essential activity.

As you probably know by now, full-time faculty no longer have a 3 semester-hour staff development requirement. What you might not realize is that according to the current plans of the administration, TLC classes will not count for Range Changes for full-time faculty either. I think that these facts will foster a new model for faculty professional development at the College. And I find that incredibly liberating and exciting.

Faculty Professional Development at COD is being reinvented. It will be more flexible, more comprehensive, and more engaging than it has ever been. It has to be. It will be formal and informal. It will be faculty-centered while meeting the needs of our students, the administration, and the community. It has to be. Our new approach to Faculty Professional Development will give us the opportunity to share with and learn from each other every single week.

Yes, Faculty Professional Development is being reinvented, and WE are reinventing it. Interested and want to learn more? Think you might want to play a role in the reinvention? Then come to our first official event!

What:
Conversation Hour

Open House Times:
Tuesdays, from 12:30 - 1:50 or Fridays, from 8:30 - 9:50.

Where:
The recently re-relocated TLC (back in its original location, SRC 1105).

Why:
To meet and talk to Ken Gray, new Coordinator of Faculty Professional Development and Judy Coates, Manager of Learning and Organizational Development, and meet the rest of the TLC staff.

To learn about our vision and plans for Faculty Professional Development at COD.

To share your vision and hopes for Faculty Professional Development at COD.
To begin creating the kind of intellectual sharing space that the TLC will become.

Interested but can't make it? Please contact Ken at grayke@cod.edu.

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