



# Rensselaer

## THE OFFICE OF GRADUATE EDUCATION

### **The Professional Development Program Seminar Series: Preparing Future Faculty – Workshop I (May 19- May 21, 2015)**

#### **Description**

Workshop I on Preparing Future Faculty provides an overview of teaching methods and the fundamentals of the teaching profession along with Learning Outcomes and Assessments. We will define effective and specific pedagogical techniques; as well as techniques for grading, interacting with students, teaching large classes, etc. Workshop will be presented by experienced instructors.

**Workshop registration priority will be given to PhD students post Candidacy and Postdoctoral Fellows. Other graduate students may have an opportunity to participate if space is available. NOTE: pre-reading and homework assignments between sessions are required to be completed by all those participating.**

See the following pages for the seminar outline and registration form.

#### **Preparing Future Faculty Seminar Series**

*Preparing Future Faculty Seminar Series will include three workshops offered to graduate students and postdoctoral fellows at Rensselaer. The workshops will each run once through the year.*

**Workshop I: Spring – Pedagogical Techniques and Learning Outcomes & Assessments**

**Workshop II: Fall – How to be an Academic/Preparing the Future Professoriate**

**Workshop III: Winter/Spring – Building Your Research Program; Proposal Writing; and Funding**

**Preparing Future Faculty – Workshop I Seminar Outline:**

**Tuesday - Thursday, May 19-21, 2015**

**Tuesday, May 19: 12:45 – 4:30 pm: Rensselaer Union Rm 3606**

Topic: Statement of Teaching Philosophy/Pedagogical Techniques

Discussions will include defining good teaching and developing a philosophy of teaching and teaching portfolio.

**Wednesday, May 20: 1:00 – 4:45 pm: Folsom Library**

Topic: Learning Outcomes & Assessments

Discussions will include the role of student learning assessment in teaching and learning and accreditation needs. Participants will engage in developing a culminating experience for a course that includes learning outcomes and assessment strategies. A part of this assignment may be completed following the session in preparation for sharing on the following session day.

**Thursday, May 21: 12:45 – 4:30 pm: Folsom Library**

Topic: Learning Outcomes & Assessments (continued) and Wrap-Up/Recap

**NOTE: pre-reading and homework assignments between sessions are required to be completed by all those participating. Pre-reading assignments will be emailed to participants prior to the first session.**

**Participants should plan to bring their laptops to the workshop. Drinks & Dessert will be available. Feel free to bring your lunch.**



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The Professional Development Program Seminar Series:

### Preparing Future Faculty – Workshop I (May 19- May 21, 2015) Registration Form

First Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail address: \_\_\_\_\_

Department: \_\_\_\_\_

Check:

PhD Student: (post-candidacy:  yes or  no and # of years in program \_\_\_\_\_)

Postdoctoral Fellow

Master's Student (if space is available)

**Registrations will be accepted through May 8th and should be either mailed, faxed, or dropped off to the Office of Graduate Education.**

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Troy, NY 12180  
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Forms are also available at the Grad Ed Office; with your department; or on line at  
<http://gradoffice.rpi.edu/update.do?artcenterkey=232>

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Questions? Contact Connie Grega, Office of Graduate Education/Professional Development Programs at [gregac@rpi.edu](mailto:gregac@rpi.edu) or 518-276-6761.