CALL FOR PARTICIPANTS

UW-Parkside’s 2020-21 Summer Institute II:
Moving Toward Culturally Responsive Teaching and Learning

UW-Parkside faculty, lecturers, and academic teaching staff are invited to participate in UW-Parkside’s 2020 Summer Institute II: Moving Toward Culturally Responsive Teaching and Learning. Summer Institute is a paid opportunity for participants to engage in a transformative process to develop a classroom innovation using culturally relevant and inclusive pedagogies. This will contribute to our goals to 1.) support student learning, 2.) increase retention in our disciplines, and 3.) create a campus climate of inclusion. Race and ethnicity is at the center of Summer Institute II and intersects with class, gender, sexual orientation, country of origin, and ability as well as cultural, political, religious, or other affiliations. Participants will have the opportunity to negotiate this complex, sometimes ambiguous and difficult terrain with an open mind and a collegial spirit. Participants should expect an intensive intellectual and emotional experience and, therefore, must not have any teaching responsibilities during Summer Institute. Participants will engage in reading, screening documentaries, journal writing, guest presentations, reflections, and dialogue to gain a deeper understanding of teaching and learning. Our goal is to build a cohort of scholars committed to incorporating these practices into their disciplines.

Summer Institute II will be co-facilitated by Damian Evans, Roseann Mason, and Natalia Taft. Outside diversity experts and Summer Institute alumni will be invited guest speakers to share their insights.

Location and Dates: A mandatory orientation for Summer Institute II will be on Friday, April 3, 2020, from 1-3 p.m. The Summer Institute II itself is composed of a two-week session from June 1 - June 12, 2020, five days a week, 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., followed by an additional session on August 20th and 21st 2020, 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Monthly meetings will occur throughout the Fall 2020 semester.

Outcomes: Each participant will develop and implement a classroom innovation specific to their discipline. Each participant will be responsible for writing a 5-page report assessing the impact of the experience on themselves and their students. Summer Institute I resulted in publication of a book, and there may be other opportunities to publish results of our work.

Stipend: Each participant will receive a stipend of $3,000 ($2,000 on the August 1, 2020 monthly payroll date upon completion of all three-weeks of the Summer Institute II and $1,000 in April 2021, upon completion of the fall monthly meetings and submission of the 5-page final report). Missed meetings will result in reduced stipends. Funding is provided by UW-Parkside’s Office of the Provost.

Application: Participants will be required to write a 750-1000 word personal statement addressing why you want to participate in Summer Institute II. We would like this to include a reference to a relevant experience with race/ethnicity in your classroom. Attach a syllabus for a class in which you want to incorporate a classroom innovation and a 2-page CV, including courses taught. Registration will be capped at 15 participants.

Application Deadline: Monday, March 2, 2020 or until workshop fills. Registration will be capped at 15 participants. Please submit your application materials as one pdf file to tlc@uwp.edu.

Service: Summer Institute II is a professional development opportunity that supports UW-Parkside’s goal of culturally responsive and equity-minded teaching and learning. Participation in Summer Institute II may be included in your annual merit summary.