

Call for Proposals

Faculty Fellowship

Writing in the Disciplines Spring 2007

Do you assign writing in your courses now? Would you like to explore possibilities for more effective assignments? Do you want to ensure that your writing assignments are opportunities for deeper learning and skill development?

Writing in the Disciplines is an established approach to teaching that acknowledges the importance of writing as a thinking, learning, and communication skill.

The purpose of this one-semester fellowship is to provide an opportunity for faculty members to study the premises and pedagogy of Writing in the Disciplines and then to incorporate new or revised writing assignments into one of their courses. During the Fellowship, faculty will meet bi-weekly and will:

- Read and discuss key texts related to Writing in the Disciplines as a field
- Read and discuss texts relevant to how students learn and how writing helps students learn
- Explore the value of both formal and informal writing
- Explore the value of peers and responders student writing
- Discuss ways of responding to student writing
- Deliberate how we evaluate student writing and why
- Examine course objectives and exploring how writing assignments can contribute to student success in meeting them
- Exchange ideas with guests from the college who have expertise in or experience with Writing in the Disciplines
- Exchange ideas with experts and leaders in the field of Writing in the Disciplines and/or Writing Across the Curriculum
- Collaborate with other faculty and provide constructive feedback on assignment development
- Learn about the resources that are available to faculty who assign writing.

Faculty members who complete this fellowship will serve as a resource to other faculty who are interested in integrating writing into their courses.

To apply for this fellowship, please submit a short (200-400 words) narrative describing your interest in Writing in the Disciplines, including any previous experience or exposure. Also, describe one course in which you would like to incorporate writing, and specify what you would like the writing to accomplish. Please list any other professional development seminars and fellowships you have completed at MC and any others for which you are applying for Spring 2007.

Your letter of application must be signed by your Chairperson and Dean in order to be considered.

Deadline: Friday, November 3, 2006.

Submit your application to Professor Rita Kranidis, College Coordinator, Writing in the Disciplines, c/o Center for Teaching and Learning, Rockville.

Questions? Contact Rita Kranidis at 301-650-1617 or rita.kranidis@montgomerycollege.edu