



Merritt College
Professional Development Days
Wednesday, January 20, 2016 – Friday, January 22, 2016
BRIDGING THE GAP: Faculty, Staff and Students



Wednesday, January 20, 2016 – Laney College

Time	Activity
8:30 AM – 4:00 PM	See District Professional Development Day Schedule

Thursday, January 21, 2016 Morning Session – Newton/ Seale Lounge – Room 110

8:15 – 9:00 AM	Hot Breakfast
9:00 – 10:15 AM	Opening Remarks: The Peralta Colleges Chancellor – Dr. Jowell Laguerre Merritt College President – Dr. Norma Ambriz – Galaviz Academic Senate President – Dr. Mario Rivas Classified Senate President – Waaduda Karim ASMC President – Marquita Price
10:15 – 11:45 AM	Keynote Address: Bridging the Gap – Faculty, Staff, and Students Dr. Darrick Smith
11:45 – 12:00 PM	Announcements: Frances Moy – DSPS Dr. Jennifer Shanoski – Assessment
12:00 – 1:00 PM	Lunch – Open Announcements

Thursday, January 21, 2016 Afternoon Sessions

Time	Activity	Location
1:15 – 2:30 PM	Empowering our Students with Advocacy, Writing Policy, Research Skills and Tobacco Prevention – The Tobacco Less Club Marlene Hurd / Serena Chen	S 106
	BYOD (Bring Your Own Device) in the Classroom: Two Tech Tools to Foster Student Engagement – Maritez Apigo (Chabot College)	L 132
	CurricUNET META Training - Dr. Arja McCray	L 131
	Using an iPad for Instruction - Dan Lawson	S 449
2:30 – 2:45 PM	BREAK	
2:45 – 4:00 PM	Boys & Girls Club / The Chabot Space & Science Center Dr. Tom Renbarger / Romeo Garcia	S 309
	Student Success is Everybody's Business! – Dr. Arnulfo Cedillo	S 305
	Alignment of the Educational Master Plan w/Program Review Dr. Mario Rivas / Christine Olson / Dr. Jennifer Shanoski	S 331
4:00 – 5:00 PM	Smart Classroom Training – Jason Holloway	S 449
	Get it Done! Assessment Workshop - Dr. Jennifer Shanoski	S 203
5:00 – 6:00 PM	New Faculty Orientation – Dr. Mario Rivas	R 110

Friday, January 22, 2016 – Morning Sessions: Newton Seale Lounge – R 110

Time	Activity	Location
8:15 – 9:00 AM	Continental Breakfast	R 110
9:00 – 10:50 AM	Working Collaboratively for Reaffirmation of Accreditation, Excellence and Beyond Merritt's AFR Core Team, AFR Co-Leads & College Leadership Administrative Team	R 110
11:00 – 12:15 PM	See, Say, Do: A Workshop on Responding to Students in Distress Frances Moy / Larry Lariosa	R 110
12:15 – 1:15 PM	Hot Lunch	R 110

Friday, January 22, 2016 Afternoon Sessions

Time	Activity	
1:15 – 2:30 PM	Division Meeting – Dr. Tina Vasconcellos / Dr. Rosemary Delia	R 110
2:30 – 4:00 PM	Department Meetings – Contact your department chairs for meeting details.	

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Keynote Speaker: Dr. Darrick Smith, The University of San Francisco



Darrick Smith is an Assistant Professor of Educational Leadership, in the Department of Leadership Studies at the University of San Francisco. Dr. Smith's course load includes requirements for the completion of the Educational Doctorate as well as the California Administrative Credential. His research interests focus on culturally responsive discipline practices; critical pedagogy; transformative school leadership, and social justice schooling.

Dr. Smith formerly served as the Center Director for LearningWorks, an educational policy organization focusing on improving student success rates in higher education. In this role, Dr. Smith was part of a small team that granted funding and engaged in system-wide reform efforts while working with the Chancellor's Office of the California Community Colleges. Dr. Smith is also the founder of the TryUMF (pronounced "triumph") program in Oakland, CA a youth development program for students from historically targeted communities. After 10 years of teaching in secondary education, Dr. Smith became the Co-Principal for the June Jordan School for Equity in San Francisco, CA. During his time at June Jordan, the small high school for social justice had the highest percentage of students of color admitted into four-year universities of any public high school in San Francisco.

Dr. Smith has served as an educator, school leader, and consultant in the K-12 educational system for 20 years. His service has also extended to include time as an instructor in the Department of Sociology in two community colleges and the Child and Adolescent Development Department at San Francisco State University. Dr. Smith continues to give talks at national and statewide conferences while consulting with a number of California's community colleges on issues of educational reform and equity.

Workshop Descriptions

Alignment of the Educational Master Plan (EMP) with Program Review and Faculty Prioritization

Dr. Mario Rivas / Christine Olsen / Dr. Wise Allen

This will be a 'work group' workshop wherein participants will define/develop a process to align EMP, PR/ APU and faculty prioritization process. The work group will also refine the rubric used to align faculty prioritization with the instructional goals of the EMP and the ongoing assessment of PR/ APU's

The Boys & Girls Club / The Chabot Space and Science Center Dr. Tom Renbarger / Romeo Garcia

Learn about the Boys & Girls Club efforts to instill an academically – oriented mindset among historically underserved youth populations. Also learn more about the educational opportunities at the Chabot Space and Science Center. Faculty, Staff, Students and Administrators all welcome.

Workshop Descriptions (cont.)

BYOD (Bring Your Own Device) in the Classroom: Two Tech Tools to Foster Student Engagement

Maritez Apigo – Chabot College

Tired of telling your students to put away your phone? Instead, instruct your students to take them out! The presenter will showcase two use-friendly technology tools for engaging students in polls, surveys, and assessments on their electronic devices: Poll everywhere and Socrative. Bring your smartphone to fully participate in this interactive session.

CurricUNET META Training

Dr. Arja McCray

Come learn the new features of CurricUNET META, our new curriculum management system. This workshop will cover the basics of curriculum building, the approvals process, and what's new in curriculum.

Get It Done! Assessment Workshop

Dr. Jennifer Shanoski / Heather Casale

Faculty, staff and students will attend a hands-on workshop where they can get help developing and entering an assessment plan.

Empowering our Students with Advocacy Skills and Tobacco Prevention

Marlene Hurd / Serena Chen

ASMC Senator Marlene Hurd, Serena Chen from The Loop-UCSF, and student advocates will report on "Effects of Nicotine on Cognitive Thinking Functions of the Brain." Topics of discussion will include menthol as a health, social justice and economic issue, and the effects of e-cigarette use. They will also discuss their work with students, faculty, administrators, the Peralta Board of Trustees and Chancellor Jowel Laguerre.

Using an iPad for Instruction

Dan Lawson

Participants will learn how to use an iPad (and the Goodnotes app) as a superior alternative to the dry-erase board or document camera for displaying written content. Participants will also learn how to archive their written lectures automatically for future review by the instructor or the students.

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Workshop Descriptions (cont.)

New Faculty Orientation

Dr. Mario Rivas / Dr. Wise Allen

If you are new to Merritt College, please attend this workshop to learn about important faculty procedures such as how to make copies, submit census rosters/grades, and obtain keys. You will also become more familiar with evaluation procedures.

See, Say, Do: A Workshop on Responding to Students in Distress

Frances Moy / Larry Lariosa

This workshop will help faculty, staff and administrators recognize and identify students who may be experiencing personal problems that may require immediate professional attention. Develop tools to help you recognize the signs of emotional distress and what are the appropriate steps to take. Come hear from the “experts” and find out what resources are available to you and students.

Smart Classroom Training

Jason Holloway

Learn how to access and operate the components of the smart classroom correctly. This workshop contains training on using the classroom computer, document camera, overhead projectors, and audio/video equipment.

Student Success is Everybody’s Business!

Dr. Arnulfo Cedillo

Please join in a discussion of what is in the plans for the Student Support and Success Program (SSSP) at Merritt this year. Your input will contribute to the development of new student success initiatives for the upcoming 2015 – 2016 academic year and beyond.

Working Collaboratively for Reaffirmation of Accreditation, Excellence and Beyond

Facilitated By: Merritt’s AFR Core Team, AFR Co-Leads & College Leadership Administrative Team

The overarching workshop goal is twofold. First, participants will be provided with information on the status of Merritt’s Accreditation Follow-Up Report. Second, participants will gain a working knowledge and application of the following institutional processes: 1) Integrated Planning and Budgeting; 2) Student Learning Outcomes Assessment; 3) College Educational Master Plan; and, 4) Use of data in institutional planning and decision-making.

Tentatively Scheduled: Brief Remarks by Chancellor Jewel C. Laguerre and Dr. Annette Dambrosio, Consultant for the Accreditation Follow-Up Report District Recommendations.

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