

GCC Adjunct Faculty Newsletter

Fall, 2007



June Fessenden is your new GCC Adjunct Faculty Representative!

Currently teaching as an adjunct faculty member in the Psychology Department, June will be serving to represent you to the District as the Adjunct Faculty Representative for the Adjunct Faculty Association Board. If you have any issues, concerns or questions as an adjunct instructor, please feel free to contact June. Her telephone number is 623.845.3639, email address is june.fessenden@gmail.com and her office is located at Building CCS101B.

The Arizona Master Teacher Seminar

The Seminar

The purpose of the seminar is to improve the methodology of teaching. Teachers from a variety of institutions and disciplines will gather for an exchange of learning, teaching, and philosophy. The focus of the discussions will be on innovations and tribulations of instruction in education.

The Schedule

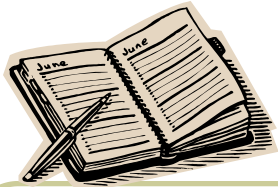
Daily seminar sessions will be conducted with ample opportunity for exploration, recreation, and relaxation. There will be a reception dinner and activities.

The hometown of Prescott will also feature events during this time such as arts and crafts fairs, art shows, galleries, musical events, and theater productions.

The Cost & Date

This Seminar is held in the Spring of each year and the date and fees will be available at a later date!

Contact June for more information!



Professional Growth Funds

For the fiscal year 2007-2008, the adjunct professional growth budget fund is \$132,333. The Maricopa Community College Adjunct Faculty Professional Growth Program offers funding support to part-time faculty at any of the Maricopa Colleges. The funding is for adjuncts to attend local and national seminars, conferences, workshops, and professional meetings.

To be eligible for Professional Growth Funding adjuncts must teach during the semester that the professional growth event takes place. An activity that occurs before the date of employment or after the end of employment is not an eligible activity. Funding must be requested in advance, with the completed and signed application, and supporting documentation submitted to Glendale Community College Employee Resources at least 21 calendar days prior to the start of the activity.

For more information on the required documentation and or request forms, visit the Adjunct Faculty Professional Growth website at <http://www.mcli.dist.maricopa.edu/afpg>

or contact **Terri Cuen** (HR Assistant II) at **623.845.3404**, or terri.cuen@gmail.com



Adjunct Faculty Association Membership!

Membership in the Adjunct Faculty Association is important! The membership fee is just \$15 for the 2007-2008 academic year and can be paid with personal check or by a one-time payroll deduction. Your involvement and support by becoming a member is critical to the AFA's ability to be able to lobby for salary increases and continued and improved benefit offerings. Contact June for a membership application today!

Important Events October 6, 2007: Best Practices Workshop

March 22, 2008: AFA Spring Conference

If a teacher is indeed wise he does not bid you enter the house of his wisdom, but rather leads you to the threshold of your own mind.

~ Kahlil Gibran

Get Involved with AFA!!

Volunteer to become a member of the GCC Adjunct Faculty Council. This council will be a team of AFA member who will meet monthly to discuss ideas and challenges that are involved in serving as an adjunct. Contact June Fessenden for more information at 623.845.3639 or by email june.fessenden@gmail.com

Do you know the Benefits?

Do you know how your membership with the adjunct faculty association can affect you? Here is how...

- Invitations to annual Spring Conferences to networking with faculty members.
- Seminars to help you apply for residential
- You have representation at the District level concerning policy decisions regarding salary, benefits, and health insurance.
- 5% discount on Blue Cross Blue Shield Health Insurance.
- MCCCCD Adjunct Faculty Job Bank.