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Scholarship Opportunity—Proposals Due Sunday, July 15

Call for Papers:

Annual Conference of the Association of Lutheran College Faculties (ALCF)

Concordia University – St. Paul

Friday September 21 – Saturday September 22

Link to website: <https://www.csp.edu/alcf-conference/>

The 2018 conference theme is “Lutheran Education & (Diversity)^x : What Does This Mean?” The call for proposals is available on their website and are due July 15th. This is now a peer-reviewed process, so presentations will count as faculty scholarship.

Lutheran colleges and universities have become far more diverse in a variety of ways. Most obviously, our ever-less Lutheran student population reflects a much broader cross-section of the country’s—and the world’s— population, and often includes a large number of Jewish, Muslim, animist, and “none of the above” students. Issues of race, ethnicity, nationality, age, class, gender, and sexual orientation play a more significant role in our courses and our campus life. You are invited to Concordia University in St. Paul to discuss the myriad ways in which diversity in all its forms presents challenges to and opportunities for Lutheran higher education.

Submit an abstract of no more than one page describing what you plan to present at the 82nd Annual Meeting of the Association of Lutheran College Faculties (ALCF). The final version of your paper should be about five double-spaced pages and take no longer than 15 minutes to present, as there will be three presenters for each hour-long session. You are welcome to submit a paper covering anything that relates to this year’s theme – a list of ideas is on their website.

Concordia Faculty Scholarship Week is October 22 –26, 2108!

Important Dates:

Thursday **September 13**: Abstract submission deadline

Monday **October 1**: Notifications sent to faculty who submitted abstracts

Contact [Julie Dresen](#) with questions.

New and Returning Faculty Development Day—Wednesday, August 8

Sign up for as many sessions as you are able to attend. Lunch included if you attend at least one session in the morning and afternoon. Register for all sessions here: [Link](#)

Schedule

- 9:00 – 10:15am: Course Design and Syllabus Construction with Georgia Kreiger
Learn about and incorporate best practices in syllabus development and course design. Discussion will include the Concordia University Global Ends and credit hour policy.
- 10:30 – Noon: Blackboard Basics with Susan Gallanis
This session incorporates recent Blackboard system updates. Learn how to add content, dropboxes, and set up the gradebook for a fall course! Some hands on practice included. Please bring your laptop.
- Noon – 12:45pm: Lunch in the cafeteria.
- 12:45 – 1:45: Faculty Resources with Robert Hill
Learn what resources are available to you as faculty, where to find them, and who to contact if you need more help.
- 2:00 – 3:00pm: Active Lecturing with Jeff Schwehm
Learn strategies to maintain students’ attention when you lecture including effective PowerPoint design.

Summer Blackboard Sessions

All sessions streamed from Mequon campus. Participate from your own computer.

Blackboard Basics

Monday July 16, 3:00 – 4:00pm [Registration link](#).

Learn how to log in and basic navigation, add course content, set up grade center, grade assignments, open course to students.

Blackboard Assessments and Rubrics (Face-to-Face and Webinar)

Tuesday June 26, 3:00 – 4:00pm [Registration link](#).

Thursday July 26, 11:00 – Noon [Registration link](#)

Learn to create an assessment with 5 question types, create a question pool, create a rubric and grade using a rubric.

Many self-help Blackboard resources are on our blog ([link to blog](#))

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“Love: Unconquered & Uncommon”

“In all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us.

For I am sure that neither death nor life, nor angels nor rulers, nor things present nor things to come, nor powers, nor height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.” (Romans 8:37-39 ESV)