Faculty Professional Development Workshops

OVERVIEW

prerequisite to teaching a modified or newly approved FSC course

TCU is providing professional development to support faculty members who want to embed "Finding Ourselves in Community" (FSC) into an existing or newly approved course across all majors, to help students develop skills for interacting with people who are different from them. "Finding Ourselves in Community" is TCU's five-year Quality Enhancement Plan, part of a requirement for SACSCOC reaccreditation.

WHAT
The workshops will help you modify your syllabus to embed FSC into your specific area; help you choose supporting materials and introduce ideas; and provide you with pedagogical tools to facilitate disparate ideas in classroom discussions. The learning outcomes of "Finding Ourselves in Community" are:

Define key concepts associated with identity and the formation of social identities.

Explain how values, norms, biases and practices continually shape identity.

Illustrate how one's developing identity informs relationships in communities.

WHEN
In-person training sessions will take place from 12:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. on the following dates, with lunch provided at 11:30 a.m. Attendance at all six workshops is required.

August 28
September 11
September 25
October 23
October 30
November 13

REQUIREMENTS
Only full-time faculty may apply. Only approved courses are applicable. If you have an idea for a new course, you must go through the approval process with the Councils before applying for the professional development workshops.

STIPEND
Participants will receive a $2,000 stipend: one-half upon completing the workshops and one-half upon teaching the revised course and submitting student artifacts.

TIMELINE
1. Applications are accepted the semester prior to the workshops.
2. Workshops take place the semester prior to the course being taught.

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APPLICATION

APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS
- Approval by your department chair (prior to applying)
- Completed Application Form
- Supporting Documents
    a. Current CV
    b. Syllabus for revision

FIRST NAME:		LAST NAME:	
EMAIL:		PHONE:	
COLLEGE OR SCHOOL:		DEPT:	
RANK:		YEARS AT TCU:	
COURSE PREFIX AND NUMBER:		COURSE TITLE:	

Teaching (please check one option)
- ☐ I am applying to workshops for the Fall 2026 semester to teach my course in Spring 2027
- ☐ I am applying to workshops for the Fall 2026 semester to teach my course in Fall 2027

FINDING OURSELVES *in Community*

If you are not selected for the semester for which you apply, you will be considered for the next available workshop session. You do not need to reapply unless you choose another course to revise.

In 250 words or less, state why you are interested in embedding concepts of "Finding Ourselves in Community" into your course, and what you hope to gain from the professional development workshops.

YOUR SIGNATURE		DATE:	
DEPT. CHAIR'S SIGNATURE:		DATE:	

- **Submit this completed document, plus your CV and syllabus, all in a <u>single PDF</u>, with the file name beginning with your LAST NAME. (Application + CV + Syllabus = 1 PDF)**

- **Upload the PDF file to https://tcu.app.box.com/f/f524a5696a17422382ff68a4e044fafc**