

Highlighting Career Competencies Faculty Learning Community:

Fall and Winter 2024-2025

Overview

This two-quarter, collaborative Faculty Learning Community is centered around the career-relevant competencies that DU undergraduate and graduate students develop in our liberal arts and professional programs. Co-facilitated by Rachel Walsh and Andrea Stanton, this FLC will focus on helping ourselves as faculty and our students to better understand the competencies they develop in our courses and majors or graduate programs, to be able to effectively articulate them to themselves, to parents, and to future employers.

In Fall, we will focus on learning about the NACE and similar career-readiness competencies and their applicability to the liberal arts. In Winter, we will focus on making those competencies visible in participants' courses and majors or graduate programs.

Each session will include small group work and full group discussion, and may include guest presentations by colleagues from Career and Professional Development, the Office of Teaching and Learning, and other DU offices.

Goals and Anticipated Outcomes

Our goal is to support and engage faculty in a two-quarter professional development experience that specially addresses career-readiness competencies:

1. Participants will become familiar with the NACE Career-Readiness Competencies.
2. Participants will be able to describe how their courses help students develop these competencies.
3. Participants will be able to describe how their major or graduate program helps students develop these competencies.
4. Participants will demonstrate their learning by annotating a syllabus or otherwise showing which competencies are supported by which course learning activities.
5. Participants will present their work to their department and engage colleagues in a discussion of how their major(s) or graduate program(s) help students develop career-readiness competencies.

Meeting Schedule

We will meet four times in Fall Quarter and five times in Winter Quarter. We will meet on Zoom and will use Canvas as a toolbox and repository for shared materials and resources. FLC members will commit to attending at least eight meetings.

In Fall, we will focus on learning about career-relevant competencies. We will meet on Tuesdays, 9-10am:

- Week 4 (Oct 1)
- Week 6 (Oct 15)
- Week 8 (Oct 29)
- Week 10 (Nov 12)

In Winter, we will focus on making career-relevant competencies visible in our courses and programs. We will meet on Tuesdays, 9-10am:

- Week 2 (Jan 14)
- Week 4 (Jan 28)
- Week 6 (Feb 11)
- Week 8 (Feb 25)
- Final Presentations and Community Gathering: Week 10 (Mar 11)

Eligibility and Application Process

All DU faculty are eligible and welcome to apply for this faculty learning community. To apply, please fill out [this Qualtrics form](#) by September 15.

Questions

Are you interested in this FLC but have questions? Please email either Andrea (andrea.stanton@du.edu) or Rachel (rachel.walsh@du.edu) - we'd be happy to hear from you!

