

WAC

Writing Across the Curriculum

Advanced WAC Retreats 2019

May 10, 13, 2019; 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.; Rm. 300 Halle Library

This year, we will be offering two Advanced WAC Retreats. These are open to current and former WAC Writing Fellows, and individuals may choose to participate in one or both retreats. There is no additional compensation for participating. Descriptions of the retreats follow.

Reading-Writing Connections

At this retreat, we will explore—through reading, activities, and conversation—connections between reading and writing and how to design assignments that support our students in both areas. We will explore ways to scaffold reading and writing in the assignments we give. The purpose of this retreat will be to develop ideas and strategies for helping students engage productively with the academic texts we assign and to gain facility in using those texts in their writing. This Advanced WAC Retreat will take place **Friday, May 10, 2019, 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. in room 300 Halle Library.**

The Meaningful Writing Project: Learning, Teaching, and Writing in Higher Education

In this retreat, we will discuss the book, *The Meaningful Writing Project* (Eodice, Geller, & Lerner, 2016). The book reports the results of survey and interview research carried out at three universities focused on how students perceive the writing they are assigned and the qualities of the writing they find most meaningful.

Participants will be asked to read the book in advance, and our conversations will focus on student learning; transfer of writing strategies; metacognition; and qualities of effective, successful, and meaningful assignments. The purpose of the retreat will be to develop ideas and strategies for making our assignments more meaningful for students. We will explore implications of this work for our teaching, classes, assignments, and programs. This Advanced WAC Retreat will take place on **Monday, May 13, 2019, 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. in room 300 Halle Library.**

How to Apply

To participate in either or both 2019 Advanced WAC Retreats, you must have participated already in a Writing Across the Curriculum Regular Spring Institute (this year's participants are eligible).

The application deadline is **Friday, February 22, 2019. To apply**, please complete this [form](https://goo.gl/forms/VUNyZz6pwk4uDQ7p2) (<https://goo.gl/forms/VUNyZz6pwk4uDQ7p2>).

Please also ask your department head to complete this [online form](https://goo.gl/forms/0FJwukeZYQE60SgB3) expressing his/her approval for your participation (<https://goo.gl/forms/0FJwukeZYQE60SgB3>).

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