

Professional Development Report, November 17, 2021
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Thank you, President Thompson.

Matthew Martin and I have been PD Co-Coordinator since September. In these positions, we represent the Senate on the Professional Development Committee that oversees PDA Days. PDA Day is a day that serves and supports the faculty, classified professionals, and administrators. Since the Senate voted to support a PDA Day that is solely made up of DEIA trainings, we are discussing this possibility with our classified and administrative colleagues. Regardless if we get our colleagues support in this matter, the entire PDC is committed to offering as many DEIA trainings as possible in February. Here is a shameless plug, if you are interested in presenting on PDA Day, especially a DEIA training, please respond to the PDA Call for Proposals that was sent out a few weeks ago.

We are also working to re-organize and simplify the flex process and the PDC website. Our goal is to have archived flex trainings to be categorized on the website, so that faculty members can easily find trainings on DEIA, climate change and sustainability, citizenship and democracy, and teaching and learning, trainings that are crucial in our current moment. Similarly, we are streamlining the bi-weekly emails about upcoming flex opportunities so that these trainings are highlighted and easier to recognize.

Finally, I want to report that our AFA colleagues are negotiating with the District about requiring mandatory DEIA trainings for faculty members.