

The Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction: IHE

Edgewood College: The Collaborative of Scholars

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Funded by the Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction, Edgewood College, and its partners at Silver Lake University and Carroll University, introduce an exciting opportunity for faculty in higher education to join an initiative that leads to collaboration with all Wisconsin colleges and universities. In this collaboration partners will find the opportunity to share the wealth of their knowledge with others across the State of Wisconsin.

Both the premise and the format of the project are simplistic in nature. The premise is that across the State of Wisconsin scholars who have a limited venue for sharing their knowledge and expertise would benefit from a collaborative to share their expertise. The simplistic format creates an electronic link that will connect scholars with each other. This site would be a source for guest lectures and/or consultations on key topics. While most Wisconsin professors in Teacher Education address a wide cross section of material, each and every individual cannot always become an expert. This site could be a source for inviting local experts onto campuses in a visiting professor/ guest lecturer format.

The process is simple; 1) Voluntary participants visit www.collaborativeofscholars.com and log in to participate. Those seeking the support of an expert visit the site to look for opportunities, 2) Connections are made without a third party, simply by using email or phone. At this time specific dates and times for collaboration are determined and the information is reported, electronically, to Dr. Holub, 3) Once the engagement has occurred, receipts for travel expenses are transmitted to Dr. Holub and reimbursement is made.

While word of mouth is still a popular alternative, this project hopes to extend those voices and become more inclusive of all IHEs and promote greater collaboration between private and public institutions.

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