

Carolinas WPA Meeting in the Middle
Friday, February 22, 2013
UNC Charlotte's Center City Campus
Charlotte, NC
10:00am-4:30pm

Theme: Advocacy in Composition Studies

Many writing courses are integrating advocacy issues that are important to students, teachers, and their local communities. For instance, some instructors create assignments that ask students to create or develop Facebook pages dedicated to a particular issue, or to create an "advocacy website" that has an impact on viewers or readers so to promote the action advocated. For example, we may consider questions like:

- Who decides or selects the focus for advocacy?
- What happens when or if students choose or select something that may be considered "bad" or unethical?
- How should advocacy work be evaluated or assessed?
- How do you coordinate your needs as a teacher, the needs of the students as evolving writers, and the needs of the "clients" with which you and your students work in a class that incorporates advocacy?

Request for Proposals

The Carolinas WPA encourages active participation at its conference. To broaden our theme of advocacy, we are requesting brief proposals that can help us advocate for writing instruction and writing programs. In other words, we are looking for proposals that promote and publicize what we do as writing teachers and program directors.

If you would like to participate in this conference, please submit a proposal that addresses any area of writing and advocacy. Please submit a 100-word abstract by **Friday, February 8, 2013** to Anthony T. Atkins [atkinsa@uncw.edu]. Be sure to include names of presenters, institutions, and email addresses for participants. As always at the Carolinas WPA, we encourage graduate student participation.

Conference Outline

We aim for the conference to be interactive. The morning and afternoon session will feature a speaker. The afternoon session will also feature round table discussions about advocating college-level writing and the duties of writing program directors. A detailed conference outline is forthcoming and will be posted on the website before the conference begins.

As always there will be plenty of time to meet informally with colleagues.

Registration Fee

\$25.00 includes lunch and break food.

To increase Carolinas WPA visibility: Bring a Friend for Free. Please, however, you must register your friend when you register yourself.

Deadline—**Friday, February 8, 2013**

Please visit our online form and registration form.

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Advocacy in Composition Studies
EMAIL this Registration Form
(make payment with paypal at:)**

Name:

Email address:

Institution:

Position:

Institution Address:

Name of Friend you would like to bring:

Institution:

Please indicate if you would like a vegetarian lunch:

Please indicate if your friend would like a vegetarian lunch:

Please complete this form and email it no later than Monday, February 8, 2013.

Please send email with attached form to:

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