

Carolinas Writing Program Administrators

First Annual Fall Conference

“Constructing a Professional/Community Life”

September 27-29, 2004

Wildacres Retreat

Little Switzerland, NC

History

Last July, the national Council of Writing Program Administrators approved the formation of an affiliate chapter in the Carolinas. One of the first acts of this affiliate was to organize a conference to discuss the issues facing writing program administrators in North and South Carolina.

Conference Theme and Design

The conference theme is “Constructing a Professional/Community Life,” a theme that captures both building on what we know but also of pointing toward the future. This first annual conference will be held from 5:00 pm on Monday, September 27, to 10:00 am on Wednesday, September 29. During this time, WPAs from both states will engage in small problem-solving group discussions to raise issues common to WPAs and to discuss the future of the new affiliate and how it can affect the professional lives of its members. This conference will address specifically the following strands:

- Constructing the Professional Lives of WPAs
- Constructing the Professional Lives of Writing Program Faculty
- Constructing CWPA to Serve You
- Constructing a Worthwhile Curriculum

Conference Format

The format of the conference encourages full engagement of all its participants. To be registered for the conference, each participant must submit a 250-word position statement that addresses one of the strands of the conference theme. Position statements will be distributed to all conference participants before the conference. At the conference, presenters will open each session with their position statements and all participants will have an opportunity to respond.

Because space is limited to 45 participants, the Executive Committee of the Carolinas WPA will select proposals that directly relate to issues in the Carolinas. Submit a position statement by **Monday, July 19** as an e-mail attachment (preferably in Word format) to the co-Chairs of the CWPA, Meg Morgan at UNC-Charlotte (mpmorgan@email.uncc.edu) and Don Bushman at UNC-Wilmington (bushmand@uncw.edu).

You will be notified of your acceptance by **August 2, 2004**.

Registration

The conference registration price of \$165 includes lodging and meals at Wildacres, all conference materials, and your \$15 annual membership to the CWPA. The registration deadline is **August 16. There will be no refunds after September 1.** Prior to September 1, you may cancel your registration and receive a refund of \$150. Because we are limiting the number of participants to 45, we will maintain a waiting list. To be put on the waiting list, you must submit a position statement by July 19, and pay the full registration fee by August 16, which will be returned to you if no opening becomes available.

Send your check with the accompanying registration form to the CWPA Secretary:

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