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APPROVAL OF PROFESSIONAL LEAVES FOR FY10 –  
FACULTY/ACADEMIC PROFESSIONALS

PREPARED BY: Christine Chairsell, Vice President of Academic &  
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APPROVED BY: Preston Pulliams, District President

REPORT: Applications for professional leave were received and  
processed in accordance with Article 18 of the  
Agreement between Portland Community College and  
the Portland Community College Faculty Federation.  
The President has reviewed the applications and  
recommendations of the campus administration.

RECOMMENDATION: That the following Portland Community College faculty  
and education technical specialists be and hereby are  
granted professional leave for the purpose, time period,  
and salary payments indicated:

**Cami Bishop Academic Professional, Student Development**

Duration: Winter 2010 and Spring 2010

Salary: 81.67% of Annual Scheduled Salary

Purpose: To develop a comprehensive five week student  
leadership course. Sylvania students from the Peer  
Advising program, Women's Resource Center and  
Multicultural center will utilize the course. This will  
include researching Colleges that have thriving  
leadership training programs and implementing  
successful aspects of those programs into a course that  
will better prepare students for leadership positions at  
Portland Community College.

**Nancy Casciato**      **Full-time Faculty, English**

Duration:              Winter 2010 and Spring 2010

Salary:                 75% of Annual Scheduled Salary

Purpose:                 To expand the field of assessment methods and practices, across the district and across the disciplines, by creating a project that derives from the relationship between teachers and students. Research previously collected information on Assessment looking for patterns, innovations and obstacles. Develop a map of experiences and reflections. Produce a web-based video series of on-site classroom experiences of teachers and students.

**John Farnum**        **Full-time Faculty, Philosophy**

Duration:              Winter 2010 and Spring 2010

Salary:                 75% of Annual Scheduled Salary

Purpose:                 To re-design course materials in Biomedical Ethics, foster connections with Portland area ethics committees and develop a cross cultural approach to medical ethics. Participate in a travel program designed for cultural contexts regarding healthcare ethics. Attend the 2010 International Conference for Clinical Ethics and Consultation. Research case studies on Biomedical ethics (Including genetic engineering) .

**James Harrison**    **Full-time Faculty, History**

Duration:              Spring 2010

Salary:                 100% of Annual Scheduled Salary

Purpose:                 To write a book length manuscript on the history of the city a Vanport. Research the role this city played in the American Victory in the Pacific as well as the innovations that developed while in existence. Vanport existed from 1942 until 1948 as a housing project for African Americans.

**Spencer Hinkle      Full-time Faculty, Building Construction**

Duration:                      Fall 2009

Salary:                        100% of Annual Scheduled Salary

Purpose:                        To become a Certified Bath Designer (CBD) which will include a training course, field experience, ADA requirement specifications and an exam. Learn 20-20, a software program for kitchen and bath design. This will enhance the Interior Design 250 course as well as many other courses at PCC.

**Kathleen Holloway      Academic Professional, Volunteer Literacy Tutoring**

Duration:                      Winter 2010

Salary:                        100% of Annual Scheduled Salary

Purpose:                        To design and teach a Spanish literacy course to indigenous Mayan adults in Lake Atitlan Guatemala. Additionally, teach an English course that will be offered in Santa Cruz la Laguna. Bring back cultural experiences to enhance the Volunteer Literacy courses as at PCC.

**Greg Kaminski            Full-time Faculty, Distance Education**

Duration:                      Spring 2010

Salary:                        100% of Annual Scheduled Salary

Purpose:                        To learn the pedagogical advantages and disadvantages of newer technology, including second life, wiki's, and blogs in order to make informed recommendations to instructors for use at PCC.

**Darcie LeMieux**      **Full-time Faculty, Sign Language Interpreter Program (SLIP)**

Duration:              Two terms in academic year

Salary:                 75% of Annual Scheduled Salary

Purpose:                 To work with an interactive web-based American Sign Language (ASL) network to develop various ASL videos for use in the SLIP program. Travel to Taipei Taiwan to attend the 2009 Deaflympics and learn international signs as well as cultural differences for use in the classroom.

**John Matthews**      **Academic Professional, Student Resource Specialist**

Duration:              Summer 2009

Salary:                 100% of Annual Scheduled Salary

Purpose:                 To research the post-secondary efforts of the PCC Prep YES graduates in their post-secondary efforts. This will encompass about 1200 total students from 2005 through 2008.

**John Merry**            **Full-time Faculty, Music**

Duration:              Winter 2010 and Spring 2010

Salary:                 75% of Annual Scheduled Salary

Purpose:                 to compile, create and complete instructional materials as well as original texts for first year music theory, sight singing, and ear training courses at Portland Community College. The objective is to significantly reduce the cost of textbooks for these courses.

**C. Kay Peterson      Full-time Faculty, Library Media Education**

Duration:                      Fall 2009, Winter 2010 and Spring 2010

Salary:                        65% of Annual Scheduled Salary

Purpose:                        To investigate, design and implement a Library/ Media Assistant program. This will expand the current one year certificate to include an option of obtaining an associate's degree. In addition, Career Pathway Certificates of completion will be designed to enable students to tailor coursework for their specific needs.

**Ann Sitomer              Full-time Faculty, Mathematics**

Duration:                      Fall 2009, Winter 2010 and Spring 2010

Salary:                        65% of Annual Scheduled Salary

Purpose:                        To complete one year of fulltime residence as a requirement for completion of the Mathematics Ph. D. program at Portland State University. The primary activity will be to write and defend a dissertation on the examination of mathematical knowledge returning adult learners bring into the mathematics classroom.

**Michael Sonnleitner    Full-time Faculty, Political Science**

Duration:                      Winter 2010

Salary:                        100% of Annual Scheduled Salary

Purpose:                        Collaborate with faculty at Mahatma Gandhi University and St. Thomas College in Kerala India. Participate in Seminars and events focused on the art of teaching, peacebuilding and the Gandhian Educational philosophy: Tai Talim. These experiences would be used to promote internationalization at PCC.