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APPROVAL OF PROFESSIONAL LEAVES FOR
FY12 – 13 FACULTY AND ACADEMIC
PROFESSIONALS

PREPARED BY: Dr. Christine Chairsell, Vice President, Academic and Student Affairs

APPROVED BY: Dr. Preston Pulliams, District President

REPORT: Applications for professional leave were received and processed in accordance with Article 20 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 be and hereby are granted professional leave for the purpose, time period, and salary payments indicated:

Marilyn Alexander Full-time Faculty, Landscape

Duration: Spring 2013

Salary: 100% of Annual Scheduled Salary

Purpose: To gain knowledge and experience in Landscape Architecture and Design by interning with a leading Landscape Architecture or Landscape Construction firm within the Portland-metro area emphasizing sustainability and focusing on emergent green technologies; bring this new knowledge back to PCC and apply it to various curricula within the Landscape Technology Department.

Farshad Barman **Full-time Faculty, Mathematics**

Duration: Fall 2012

Salary: 100% of Annual Scheduled Salary

Purpose: To complete three (3) projects including a follow-up paper for publication based on "The Mathematics of Starry Nights"; development of curriculum materials for classroom use based on applied mathematics relating to astronomy; and creation of a presentation for the American Mathematical Association of Two-Year Colleges conference.

Angela Berdahl **Full-time Faculty, English**

Duration: Spring 2013

Salary: 100% of Annual Scheduled Salary

Purpose: To ascertain the outcomes and measurements used by area high school English department classes; use feedback to create a smoother transition for incoming students; analyze national college transfer writing and literature courses to better prepare current PCC students for transition to other educational institutions.

Cece Cutsforth **Full-time Faculty, Graphic Design**

Duration: Fall 2012, Winter 2013 and Spring 2013

Salary: 65% of Annual Scheduled Salary

Purpose: To complete a BFA in Product Design; use experience to advance the Graphic Design program at PCC; apply new concepts and technical skills to the curriculum; explore developing cross-discipline opportunities.

Marjorie Dulaney **Full-time Faculty, Nursing**

Duration: Fall 2012, Winter 2013 and Spring 2013

Salary: 65% of Annual Scheduled Salary

Purpose: To prepare and conduct research as part of PhD in Nursing Education; evaluate current practices within PCC nursing programs and develop ways to increase retention, graduation rates and student satisfaction; improve PCCs status among prospective nursing school candidates and industry peers.

Jackie Elliott **Full-time Faculty, Counseling**

Duration: Fall 2012, Winter 2013 and Spring 2013

Salary: 65% of Annual Scheduled Salary

Purpose: To expand services to veterans enrolled at PCC; research national veterans' programs at educational institutions; volunteer with veterans organization to gain knowledge regarding issues they face and learn about therapy techniques; and develop a PCC program to address the needs of veterans as they enter college culture. This will include a vet-to-vet mentoring program, staff and faculty trainings and the establishment of a veteran's center.

Anthony Greiner **Full-time Faculty, Librarian**

Duration: Spring 2013

Salary: 100% of Annual Scheduled Salary

Purpose: To perform an analysis on the characteristics of unread books at community college libraries; use the knowledge gained to more effectively use library funds and reduce waste on library shelves.

John Mery

Full-time Faculty, Music and Dance

Duration:

Fall 2012

Salary:

100% of Annual Scheduled Salary

Purpose:

To develop a new Lower Division Collegiate course entitled *Introduction to the Music of Latin America*; travel to Argentina and Brazil with the possible addition of Chile and or Cuba.

Samuel Morgan

Full-time Faculty, Visual Arts

Duration:

Winter 2013 and Spring 2013

Salary:

75% of Annual Scheduled Salary

Purpose:

To explore new trends and processes in ceramics; learn Computer-Aided Design/ Computer-Aided Manufacturing (CAD/CAM) software; attend an artist residency program at a leading ceramics center to investigate less familiar processes in a collaborative environment.; video record less familiar clay working processes for classroom enhancement; incorporate elements of CAD/ CAM in to personal studio work for local exhibition.

Jan Underwood

Full-time Faculty, Spanish

Duration:

Winter 2013 and Spring 2013

Salary:

75% of Annual Scheduled Salary

Purpose:

To travel to Spain for a cultural immersion experience focused on expanding language teaching and methodologies; visit Universidad Villanueva in Madrid and Universidad Pompeu Fabra in Barcelona to learn cutting-edge language instruction known as a "task-based" or "functional notional" approach; finalize development of Honors SPA 101 course.