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Hello friends of POE:

First, we hope that everyone had a wonderful New Year and holiday. Here at the Center for Work and Learning, we have a number of items to share with you.

Conferences and Presentations

As you know, we are not sponsoring a POE conference this year, but are waiting for 2005 to bring you the Third International Conference on Practice-Oriented Education. We will be getting out a call for papers shortly.

In the meantime, two Learning Community participants, Terry Haywoode, and Jean Krasnow, will be presenting: "Border Crossings: Preparing Urban Teachers for Diverse Classrooms," at the Pedagogies of Engagement Conference, sponsored by the American Association of Colleges and Universities, April 15-17, 2004, in Chicago.

Joe Raelin recently co-presented "Creating a Leaderful Management Network," with a team of senior administrators from the Boston Consortium for Higher Education at the Society for Organizational Learning's (SoL) Research Greenhouse at Boston College.

You may also enjoy catching Joe's audio essay: "Leadership for Everyone" in What's Working in biz, available on the net at: http://www.whatsworking.biz/full_story.asp?ArtID=23

On Tuesday, January 27, Joe addressed the Advisory Council of the Health Careers Academy on the topic: "Practice-Oriented Education: Integrating Work and Learning."

Events

We are pleased to announce that one of our Advisory Board members, Bob Corcoran, Senior Vice President and Chief Learning Officer of GE, will be presenting a talk on "The Ecology of Leadership Development" on Tuesday, March 23, 3:30 – 5:00 at the Raytheon Amphitheater, Egan Research Center, at Northeastern University. You are cordially invited to attend. Please RSVP to our co-sponsor, Gatti and Associates, by contacting Karan Farretta, 508-359-4153 or kfarretta@gattihr.com.

Grants

We are pleased to report that our preproposal, "Pathways to Work Self-Efficacy and Retention of Women in Undergraduate Engineering" (National Science Foundation's Program on Gender in Science and Engineering) received a high encouragement to prepare a full proposal. We are collaborating on this proposal with Sara Wadia-Fasceti, professor of civil engineering, and

Rachelle Reisberg, Director of the Women in Engineering program, and collaborators from Rochester Institute of Technology, Cincinnati, and Penn State.

We also prepared a proposal, "Practice-Oriented Education and Future Student Success," for the Association of Institutional Research (AIR) with Mark Putnam and Neal Fogg of the Office of University Planning and Research. In addition we submitted a preliminary proposal, "Establishing an Enriched Undergraduate Model of Learning from Practice" to the Fund for the Improvement of Postsecondary Education (FIPSE).

Publications

Joe just published, "The 'Bottom Line' of Leaderful Practice," in the Ivey Business Journal online at: http://www.iveybusinessjournal.ca/article.asp?intArticle_ID=462.

Center Website

We will be redesigning our website over the next couple of months and adding numerous resources for POE researchers and practitioners. We recently hired a Northeastern coop student, Kate O'Donnell, to help us with this effort. She has already updated our POE related events page, please see http://www.poe.neu.edu/events.htm. We will keep you updated about future developments.

Job Opportunities

The Center would like to ask for your assistance in our search for a senior research associate. We seek to hire a 'post-doc' who has special expertise in securing and conducting research grants using an array of quantitative and qualitative research methods. Naturally, someone with familiarity with our research domain of learning from practice would be especially encouraged to apply. A formal job description will be posted on Northeastern's Human Resources website in the upcoming weeks. If you have any suggestions of appropriate candidates, please send them to Heather Gross at: h.gross@neu.edu.

We have also been informed of a job opening at the Boston Architectural Center for a Program Director of Practice Curriculum. You can link to the full position description from our homepage, http://www.poe.neu.edu.

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