Cornerstone Goes to San Diego

Conference on The First-Year Experience®

This February, five Cornerstone Experience professors will attend the 33rd Annual Conference on The First-Year Experience[®]. Dr. Kathy Clark and Dr. Eileen DeLuca will present a session entitled, "Engendering Faculty Support for a Successful FYE" at the conference.







Dr. Kathy Clark

Dr. Eileen DeLuca Whitney Rhyne

Foundations of Excellence[®] Winter Meeting

Three Cornerstone professors will attend the 9th annual Foundations of Excellence[®] Winter Meeting. Whitney Rhyne will present a session entitled, "Building a Foundation for Self-Reliant Learning through Peer Mentoring." Dr. Kathy Clark and Dr. Eileen DeLuca will present a session entitled, "A Winding Road: **Engendering Faculty Support for a** Successful FYE."



The First Year Experience **Community Update**

February 2014

I was first exposed to the concept of the "first year student experience" when, as a full-time faculty member from a college in New Hampshire, I attended the very first conference on the First Year Student Experience in Columbia, South Carolina in the spring semester of 1981. Little did I know at that time that a few years later I would be helping to establish a two-semester first year seminar course as Associate Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences at Winthrop University (South Carolina). Helping to establish a new course, teaching it for five years, and presenting research findings on student success at national conferences on the first year student experience was an exciting part of my career. I am very committed to Edison College's QEP and its positive impact on current and future student success. Edison State College's QEP, with its first year seminar Cornerstone course (SLS 1515), seeks to assist students to learn more about the "college game," themselves as learners, and begins to sharpen their educational and vocational goals. This is my first semester teaching SLS 1515, and I am enjoying this experience. Although teaching SLS 1515 is very different from the cultural and physical anthropology courses I have taught for the last 34 years, I am enjoying the topics and the close interactions with students.



Dr. Denis Wright

Provost & Vice President of Academic Affairs **Cornerstone Experience** Professor

FYE First Year Experience

Service Saturday: Habitat For Humanity



On Saturday January 25, 2014, 22 Edison students volunteered 132 hours working on three different Habitat For Humanity homes in Lee County.



Tech Tuesday: Using the Cloud



Portal / Canvas Workshop



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