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*Reflective Practice...Multiple Ways of Knowing
Access, Equity, & Fairness...Collaboration
Evidence Based Practice*

News on the web

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2009

TWO ASSISTANTSHIPS

Department of Teacher Education and Curriculum Studies.

Course Educ 524, The Work of the Middle and High School Teacher: assist in leading discussion groups, responding to student work, organizing field experience trips for the class, regular course meetings with TAs and faculty. Experience teaching in k12 public schools, knowledge of teacher education, ability to work as part of a team, and good organizational skills required. Send resume, cover letter, and names of references to: **Barbara Madeloni, STEP Concentration Coordinator**, madeloni@educ.umass.edu 413-577-0495, by **January 9, 2009**.



Part - time (10 hours) **PA position** available for S09:

Advising students interested in English Language Learning & Reading licensure, maintaining and updating the advising system, student records, and office advising materials; maintaining contact with cooperating teachers and supervisors and communicating with licensure students and the Educator Licensure Office; assisting with data collection, management, updating, analysis and production of reports to support NCATE activities; assisting faculty in the ESL and Reading Licensure programs in mapping TESOL, IRA, DOE and NCATE standard-based rubrics, implementing NCATE assessment plans, and producing various licensure reports. **Contact: Francis Bailey** fbailey@educ.umass.edu

The Beacon Deadline is FRIDAY

Please submit *Beacon* announcements to: **Room 126 Furcolo Hall**

or to dms@educ.umass.edu by 5:00 P.M. on **Friday** for inclusion in the following week's *Beacon*.

All assistantships will run for two issues and examinations and dissertation proposals will run for one.

CONFERENCE

Bridging the Gap to Promote High School & College Alignment

**Thursday, January 29, 2009
Beechwood Hotel, Worcester, Massachusetts**

Join your colleagues in K-12, higher education and government to learn about key partnerships and best practices aimed at creating a seamless transition from high school to college and career. You will hear from national policy experts including:

Conference Keynote, Charles Desmond
Bridging the High School - College Gap: Lessons from the Past Shaping Visions for the Future

Charles Desmond, Chairman of the Massachusetts Board of Higher Education and New England Board of Higher Education Senior Fellow, will keynote this important event. Desmond, a Fulbright Scholar who has focused on community collaboration and student affairs at the University of Massachusetts Boston, will draw on over 30 years of experience to discuss successful partnerships between K-12 and higher education sectors and the role of higher education leadership to shape future collaboration.

Jennifer Dounay, Senior Policy Analyst at the Education Commission of the States, who will provide state policy updates, analysis and research findings on a number of high school reform issues including graduation requirements, high school assessments and P-20 efforts around the nation.

Allison Jones, Assistant Vice Chancellor of Academic Affairs and Student Academic Support from the California State University, will discuss his work in supporting CSU's 23 campuses in the areas of K-12 academic outreach, admission and remediation. He will also share best practices in high school and college alignment, including his work with the California Early Assessment Program.

Wanda Monthey, Team Leader and Policy Director, Maine Department of Education; **Hector N. Torres**, Program Director of College Prep, University of Massachusetts Lowell; **Thomas R. Horgan**, President and CEO, New Hampshire College & University Council; **Lynne Miller**, Professor of Education Leadership and Southern Maine Partnership Director, University of Southern Maine; and **Kristi Pierce**, Director of Local College Access Programs at TERI.

Register Today Registration fee: Cost is \$149 for one registrant. **Registration deadline: Tuesday, January 20, 2009** Contact Information- Phone: 617-357-9620 Email: register@nebhe.org or visit the web site at www.nebhe.org

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