



WCTCCA Fall 2013 Newsletter

Letter from the President

Welcome back to fall and to the start of another academic year. I hope you found time over the summer to rest, relax, and recharge your batteries. It seems that Fall quarter is often one of our busiest times of year and with that in mind I hope you will find some of the information and resources in this newsletter helpful to you. The purpose of this Newsletter is to provide members with information about resources and events and to provide a platform to connect with each other about what is happening around the state. I would welcome anyone who would like to submit an article or resource to include in future Newsletters.

If you have question, idea, or suggestion for our organization please feel free to contact me directly. I would love to hear from you.

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2013-2014 WCTCCA Steering Committee

- Chairperson:** Annemarie Solbrack, Clover Park Technical College
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Now Accepting Submission for the Winter WCTCCA Newsletter.

If you would like to write an article or submit information for the newsletter please send them to:

annemarie.solbrack@cptc.edu

WCTCCA Membership Fees Now Due for 2013-2014

Membership Dues are due each *Fall Quarter* and are good for one academic year: *September through August.*

WCTCCA Application Form is on **page 4**



Education is the ability to listen to almost anything without losing your temper or your self-confidence.
-Robert Frost



Training Resources

Do you want to know more about Autism?



Autism Internet Modules

AIM is designed to provide high-quality information and professional development for anyone who supports, instructs, works with,

or lives with someone with autism. Each module guides you through case studies, instructional videos, pre- and post-assessments, a glossary, and much more. AIM modules are available at no cost. If you would like to receive credit for your time on AIM, certificate and credit options are available for a fee.

<http://www.autisminternetmodules.org/>



Online College Courses through UCLA

UCLA Extension has some great opportunities for professional development. Within their College Counseling Certificate they offer courses you can take individually whether or not you choose to complete all the requirements for the certificate. Below are some of the courses offered online through this certificate:

- Counseling the College Bound
- Using the Internet for College/Career Counseling
- Financial Aid Fundamentals
- Testing/Career Assessment
- Special Issues in College Counseling

To browse all of their certificate programs go to: <https://www.uclaextension.edu/Pages/fos/ProgramLanding.aspx>

Teaching Resources



If you are looking for some supplemental material for a course you are teaching you might want to check out WISC-Online. Here you can find learning objects created by other educators who have listed them for free to share with others.

<http://www.wisc-online.com/Default.aspx>

Wisc-Online is a digital library of Web-based learning resources called "learning objects." The digital library of objects has been developed primarily by faculty from the Wisconsin Technical College System (WTCS) and produced by multimedia technicians who create the learning objects.





Save the Date!!!

**WCTCCA Spring Business Meeting will happen at the WSSC Conference April 30-May 2, 2014
Date, time and location To Be Announced.**

Every three years the Washington State Student Services Commission (WSSSC) has a spring conference. As this is one of those years we will not be having a separate WCTCCA Conference but we will plan to have a business meeting at some point during the conference. If you have important items of business, suggestions you would like addressed at the WCTCCA business meeting please submit them to the WCTCCA President: Annemarie Solbrack email: Annemarie.solbrack@cptc.edu

For more information about the WSSSC Conference go to their website at:
http://www.sbctc.ctc.edu/college/_s-commissioncouncils.aspx



Are you looking for a Great Professional Development Opportunity?

The WCTCCA Steering Committee is still in need of representatives from the different regions in the state.

Still Needed:

- 1 Representative from Western Region
- 2 Representatives from North Puget Sound Region
- 1 Representatives from Eastern Region
- 2 Representatives from South Puget Sound Region

Eastern Region : (East of cascades) two representatives from the seven community and technical colleges east of the Cascade Mountains (Big Bend, Columbia Basin, Spokane, Spokane Falls, Walla Walla, Wenatchee Valley and Yakima Valley);

North Puget Sound Region : (*Bellevue, Edmonds, Everett, Lake Washington, Seattle Central, Shoreline, North Seattle, South Seattle*);

South Puget Sound Region : (*Renton, Green River, Highline, Tacoma, Pierce, Bates, Clover Park*);

Western Region : (Bellingham, Centralia, Clark, Grays Harbor, Lower Columbia, Olympic, Peninsula, Skagit Valley, South Puget Sound, and Whatcom).

Representatives shall be voting members of WCTCCA and only one may be selected from a given campus.

**Now Accepting WCTCCA
Membership Applications for 2013-2014**

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WCTCCA is the only professional association of community college counselors in Washington State. Full membership in WCTCCA is a very reasonable \$30 per academic year and is tax-deductible. Student membership is \$20 per year.

Washington Community and Technical Colleges Counseling Association (WCTCCA)

Membership Application 2013-2014

Name (First, Last) _____ [] Counselor \$30 [] Student \$20

Institution _____

Email: _____

Phone: _____

Payment Type () Personal Check (check # _____) () Institutional Check

2013-2014 Membership Fees Due **December 31, 2013**

Mail Payment and Completed Membership Form To:

**Margaret Vlahos, Counselor
Whatcom Community College
237 Kellogg Rd.
Bellingham, WA 98226**

Join Our List Serve



Members are encouraged to register with Yahoo groups and join our WCTCCA listserv. This is a great way to connect with your colleagues across the state. To sign up go to: <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/WCTCCA/>