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2012-2013 FELLOWS

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Project NExT (New Experiences in Teaching) is a professional development program of the Mathematical Association of America for new or recent Ph.D.s in the mathematical sciences who are interested in improving the teaching and learning of undergraduate mathematics. It addresses the full range of faculty responsibilities in teaching, research, and service.

Project NExT: New Jobs, New Responsibilities, New Ideas Program for the Workshop in Madison, Wisconsin July 30 - August 1, 2012

Project NExT registration is in the main lobby of Pyle Center.

MONDAY, JULY 30

11 am - 1:15 pm	Arrival and registration – Pyle Center Main Lobby		
1:30 - 1:55 pm	Welcome and opening remarks – Pyle 325/326 Aparna Higgins, University of Dayton and Director of Project NExT		
2:00 - 2:45 pm	Small group discussions – See information for assignments. An opportunity to share your thoughts about the coming year with other Fellows.		
	Group A: Pyle 111	Group E: Pyle 226	
	Group B: Pyle 112	Group F: Pyle 309	
	Group C: Pyle 220	Group G: Pyle 317	
	Group D: Pyle 225	Group H: Pyle 320	
2:55 - 3:55 pm	The Many Faces of Mathematical Proof – Pyle 325/326 Doug Ensley, Shippensburg University		
3:55 - 4:25 pm	BREAK – Pyle Prefunction Space, 3 rd Floor East		
4:30 - 5:15 pm	Small group discussions [Same room assignments by group above, but your group assignment may have changed – see information.]An opportunity to talk about teaching techniques with Fellows who work at institutions that are similar to your institution.Group A: Pyle 111Group E: Pyle 226 Group B: Pyle 112Group B: Pyle 112Group F: Pyle 309 Group C: Pyle 220Group D: Pyle 225Group H: Pyle 320		
5:30 - 7:00 pm	DINNER – Dining Room in Lowell Center		
7:15 - 8:30 pm	Panel: Joining the Mathematical Community – Pyle 325/326 Four Project NExT Fellows from previous years will describe how they became involved in various forms of service to the mathematics community. Matthew DeLong, Taylor University Heather Hulett, University of Wisconsin – La Crosse Kim Roth, Juniata College Christopher Swanson, Ashland University		
8:30 p.m ?	INFORMAL SOCIALIZING		

TUESDAY, JULY 31

6:30 - 8:00 am BREAKFAST – available in **Newell's Dining Room in Smith Hall**, if you are staying in the dorm

8:30 - 9:45 am Selected topics in teaching undergraduate mathematics I [Five simultaneous sessions – See information for assignments.]

- A. *Visualization Techniques for Teaching Calculus* Julie Barnes, Western Carolina University, **Pyle 112**
- B. Closer to Fair: Social Justice in Mathematics Mathematics for Social Justice David Kung, St. Mary's College of Maryland, Pyle 225
- C. Technically Speaking: Preparing Students to Communicate Technical Information in a Non-technical World – Lew Ludwig, Denison University, Pyle 309
- D. Using Good Questions in Calculus Kim Roth, Juniata College, Pyle DE227
- E. (*Free*) *Technology for Teaching Mathematics* John Travis, Mississippi College, **Pyle DE232**

9:55 - 10:25 am BREAK – Pyle Prefunction Space, 3rd Floor East

10:25 - 11:40 a.m. Panel: Deciding how to teach – Pyle 325/326
 Each panelist will discuss a particular way of teaching or assessing, explaining the technique, its benefits and its limitations. David Pengelley, New Mexico State University
 Hortensia Soto-Johnson, University of Northern Colorado Ron Taylor, Berry College

- 11:45 am 1:10 pm LUNCH Pyle Center Main Dining Room
- **1:15 2:30 pm** Repeat of morning breakout sessions see information for assignments.
- **2:40 3:40 pm** Something for Everyone **Pyle 325/326** Sarah Spence Adams, Olin College
- **3:40 4:10 pm** BREAK Pyle Prefunction Space, 3rd Floor East

4:10 - 5:25 pm
 Panel: The faculty member as teacher and scholar – Pyle 325/326
 Panelists representing a variety of institutions will discuss what expectations early career faculty should fulfill for tenure at those institutions.
 Katie Fowler, Clarkson University
 Mickey McDonald, Kalamazoo College
 Bruce Reznick, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign Martha Siegel, Towson University

5:30 - 7:00 pm DINNER – Dining Room in Lowell Center

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TUESDAY, JULY 31 (cont'd)

8:00 – 10:00 pm	Social Event for 2011-2012 and 2012-2013 Project NExT Fellows and
	presenters – Smith Hall, Laines Lounge

10:00 pm - ? INFORMAL SOCIALIZING

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 1

- 6:30 8:00 am BREAKFAST available in Newell's Dining Room in Smith Hall, if you are staying in the dorm
- 8:30 9:35 am Informal discussions on topics proposed by the 2012-2013 Fellows Pyle 112, Pyle 225, Pyle 226, Pyle DE227, Pyle DE232
- 9:35 10:05 am BREAK Pyle Prefunction Space, 3rd Floor East
- **10:10 11:25 am** Selected topics in teaching undergraduate mathematics II [Five simultaneous sessions See information for assignments.]
 - A. Undergraduate Advising Suzanne Dorée, Augsburg College, Pyle 112
 - B. Effectively Using Applied Writing Projects in Undergraduate Mathematics Courses – Gavin LaRose, University of Michigan, Pyle 225
 - C. Using Video to Help Students Evaluate and Construct Proofs Kay Somers, Moravian College, Pyle 226
 - D. Experiencing Spherical Geometry: A Non-Axiomatic Approach to Teaching College Geometry – Christopher Swanson, Ashland University, Pyle DE227
 - E. Functioning in Calculus: Combining Algebra, Precalculus, and Calculus for Underprepared College Students – Laura Taalman, James Madison University, **Pyle DE232**

11:30 am – 12:15 pm Small Group Discussions with other Project NexT Fellows (This session is organized by area of research. Please attend the group that best fits your research interests.)
Group A: Algebra, Group Theory, Linear Algebra, Pyle 220
Group B: Algebraic Geometry, Pyle DE232
Group C: Analysis, Pyle 111
Group D: Combinatorics, Graph Theory, Discrete Math, Pyle 226
Group E: Number Theory, Mathematical Logic, Pyle DE227
Group F: Geometry, Topology, Pyle 225
Group G: Differential Equations, Dynamical Systems, Pyle DE332
Group H: Applied Math, Operations Research, Pyle DE327
Group I: Math Biology, Pyle 313
Group J: Mathematics Education, Probability, Statistics, Pyle VandeBerg Auditorium 121

12:15 – 1:30 pm LUNCH – Pyle Center Main Dining Room

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WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 1 (cont'd)

1:35 - 2:50 pm	Repeat of morning breakout sessions – See information for assignments.	
2:55 - 3:25 pm	Planning session for January Meetings in San Diego, CA – Pyle 325/326	
3:25 - 3:55 pm	BREAK Pyle Prefunction Space, 3 rd Floor East	
3:55 - 5:25 pm	Closing Session – Pyle 325/326 Recognition of 2011-12 Fellows Presentation: <i>Finding Your Niche in the Profession</i> Joseph Gallian, University of Minnesota Duluth	
6:00 – 7:30 pm	Mathfest Opening Reception (cash bar) – Level 1 of the Monona Terrace Convention Center	
7:30 - 9:30 pm	Mathfest Opening Banquet	
9:30 pm - ?	INFORMAL SOCIALIZING	

THURSDAY AND FRIDAY, AUGUST 2 AND 3

Project NExT Courses during the Mathfest: Four-hour courses meeting in the **Hilton Madison Monona Terrace** on Thursday and Friday, August 2 and 3.

- A. Teaching Mathematics for Future Teachers (With an Emphasis on K-8 Teacher Preparation)
 Beth Burroughs, Montana State University, 1-3 p.m., Tenney, Hilton Madison Monona Terrace
- B. *Teaching Liberal Arts Mathematics Courses* Dale Buske, St. Cloud State University, 1-3 p.m., LaFollette, Hilton Madison Monona Terrace
- C. Undergraduate Research—How to Make It Work Aparna Higgins, University of Dayton, 1-3 p.m., **Doty, Hilton Madison Monona Terrace**
- D. Using Inquiry to Teach Mathematics and Thinking Carol Schumacher, Kenyon College, 1-3 p.m., Vilas, Hilton Madison Monona Terrace
- E. *When Life is Linear: Applications of Linear Algebra* Tim Chartier, Davidson College, 3:15-5:15 p.m., **Tenney, Hilton Madison Monona Terrace**
- F. The World is More Random Than You Think: Big Ideas for Mathematicians Who Will Be Teaching Statistics – Richard Cleary, Bentley College, 3:15-5:15 p.m., LaFollette, Hilton Madison Monona Terrace
- G1. Applying for Grants from the National Science Foundation Jennifer Slimowitz Pearl, National Science Foundation, Thursday; Getting Your Research Off to a Good Start, Joe Gallian – University of Minnesota, Duluth, Friday; both days 3:15-5:15 p.m., **in Doty, Hilton Madison Monona Terrace**
- G2. Getting Your Research Off to a Good Start, Joe Gallian University of Minnesota, Duluth, Thursday; Applying for Grants from the National Science Foundation – Jennifer Slimowitz Pearl, National Science Foundation, Friday; both days 3:15-5:15 p.m., in Vilas, Hilton Madison Monona Terrace