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## Project NExT: New Jobs, New Responsibilities, New Ideas Program for the Workshop in Providence, Rhode Island August 9 - 11, 2004

The Project NExT registration area is in the lobby of Barus & Holley on the Brown University campus. All sessions, unless otherwise noted, are in Barus & Holley (B&H).

## MONDAY, AUGUST 9

11 am - 1:15 pm	Arrival and registration	
1:30 - 1:45 pm	Welcome and opening remarks T. Christine Stevens, Saint Louis University and Director of Project NExT B&H 166	
2:00 - 2:45 pm	Small group discussions – See informa Group A: B&H 157 Group B: B&H 158 Group C: B&H 159 Group D: B&H 160	tion for assignments Group E: B&H 161 Group F: B&H 163 Group G: B&H 165
2:55 - 3:45 pm	The Freedom of Choice Janet Andersen, Hope College B&H 166	
3:50 - 4:20 pm	BREAK B&H Lobby	
4:30 - 5:15 pm	Small group discussions [Same room assignments by group as above, but your group assignment may have changed.]  Group A: B&H 157  Group E: B&H 161  Group B: B&H 158  Group F: B&H 163  Group C: B&H 159  Group G: B&H 165	
5:30 - 7:00 pm	DINNER Verney-Wolley Dining Hall	
7:30 - 9:00 pm	Conversation with the Leadership Carl Cowen, Indiana University Purdue University, Indianapolis President-elect, The Mathematical Association of America John Ewing, Executive Director, American Mathematical Society Martha Siegel, Towson University Secretary, The Mathematical Association of America Gilbert Strang, Massachusetts Institute of Technology Former President, Society for Industrial and Applied Mathematics B&H 166	

#### TUESDAY, AUGUST 10

7:15 - 8:15 am BREAKFAST B&H Lobby 8:30 - 9:45 am Selected topics in teaching undergraduate mathematics I Five simultaneous sessions – See information for assignments. Getting Your Students to Read Their Calculus Text - Thomas Ratliff. Wheaton College, MA, B&H 165 Adding the Words: Using Writing to Teach Mathematics -- John Meier, Lafayette College, B&H 163 Discrete Math, Arthur Benjamin, Harvey Mudd College, B&H 161 Group Projects in Upper Division Courses such as Abstract Algebra and Real Analysis - Cheryl Chute-Miller, State University of New York, Potsdam, B&H 160 So You're an Advisor -- Now What? - Sandra Paur, North Carolina State University, Raleigh, B&H 159 9:55 - 10:25 am **BREAK** B&H Lobby 10:25 - 11:40 am Panel: Using class time well sarah-marie beleastro, Xavier University, Ohio Thomas Garrity, Williams College Richard Jardine, Keene State College B&H 166 11:45 am - 1:00 pm LUNCH B&H Lobby 1:15 - 2:30 pm Repeat of morning breakout sessions – See information for assignments. A Mathematician's Role in the Mathematical Education of Teachers 2:40 - 3:40 pm W. James Lewis, University of Nebraska, Lincoln B&H 166 3:40 - 4:10 pm BREAK B&H Lobby 4:10 - 5:25 pm Panel: The faculty member as teacher and scholar David Carothers, James Madison University Megan Kerr, Wellesley College Bozenna Pasik-Duncan, University of Kansas Brian Winkel, United States Military Academy B&H 166 5:30 - 7:00 pm DINNER Verney-Wooley Dining Hall Social Event for all Project NExT Fellows and invited guests 8:00 - 10:00 pm Vartan Gregorian Quadrangle

### WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 11

3:15 - 3:50 pm

BREAK

MacMillan Lobby

7:00 - 8:00 am **BREAKFAST** B&H Lobby 8:15 - 9:30 am Selected topics in teaching undergraduate mathematics II Five simultaneous sessions – See information for assignments. Alternative Approaches to Geometry - Colm Mulcahy, Spelman College, B&H 165 The Pleasure of Teaching Linear Algebra – Gilbert Strang, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, **B&H 163** Teaching Students to Write Proofs - Carol Schumacher, Kenyon College, B&H 160 Effectively Using Applied Writing Projects in Calculus – P. Gavin LaRose, University of Michigan, B&H 159 High- and Low-Tech in the ODE Course - Michael Moody, Olin College, B&H 157 9:35 - 10:05 am BREAK B&H Lobby 10:10 - 11:25 am Panel: Finding out what your students have learned Thomas Banchoff, Brown University Olympia Nicodemi, State University of New York, Geneseo Catherine Roberts. College of the Holy Cross B&H 166 11:25 - 11:40 am Planning session for January Meetings in Atlanta B&H 166 Small group discussions with other Project NExT Fellows. [Please select the 11:45 - 12:30 pm session that best describes your research interests.] Analysis - B&H 153 Combinatorics, graph theory, discrete mathematics – **B&H 155** Applied mathematics, operations research— **B&H 157** Geometry, topology, set theory, logic – **B&H 158** Mathematics education - B&H 159 Probability/Statistics - B&H 160 Algebra/Number theory - B&H 161 Differential equations and dynamical systems – B&H 163 12:30 - 1:45 pm LUNCH **B&H** Lobby 2:00 - 3:15 pm Repeat of morning breakout sessions – See information for assignments.

### WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 11 (cont'd)

3:55 - 5:45 pm Closing Session

Recognition of 2003-04 Fellows

Presentation: Finding Your Niche in the Profession Joseph Gallian, University of Minnesota, Duluth

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7:30 – 9:30 pm Mathfest Opening Banquet

Master of Ceremonies: Annalisa Crannell, Franklin & Marshall College

Presentation: Captivating Stories for Mathematics Students

Dan Kalman, American University

### THURSDAY, AUGUST 12 and FRIDAY, AUGUST 13

**Project NExT Courses During the Mathfest**: Four-hour courses meeting on Thursday and Friday, August 12 and 13, in the Rhode Island Convention Center (RICC). (Courses A, B, and C meet at 1:00 – 3:00 p.m. on both days; Courses D and E meet at 3:15 – 5: 15 p.m. on both days.)

- A. *Math Modeling in the Curriculum* Catherine Roberts, College of the Holy Cross, **1:00 3:00 p.m., RICC 554A.**
- B. Preparing to Teach Mathematics for Prospective Teachers Judith Covington, Louisiana State University, Shreveport, 1:00 3:00 p.m., RICC 553A.
- C. Introductory Statistics Jeff Witmer, Oberlin College, 1:00 3:00 p.m., RICC 553B.
- D. Getting Your Research off to a Good Start/Proposal Preparation for Projects in Undergraduate Mathematical Sciences-- Joseph Gallian, University of Minnesota, Duluth, and Calvin Williams, National Science Foundation, 3:15 5:15 p.m., RICC 553 A, 553B.
- E. *Undergraduate Research -- How to Make It Work --* Aparna Higgins, University of Dayton, **3:15 5:15 p.m., RICC 554A.**

#### SATURDAY, AUGUST 14, afternoon

Project NExT Fellows are invited to attend two sessions sponsored by Texas Instruments on using hand-held calculators to enhance the teaching of mathematics. One session will deal with teaching mathematics below the level of calculus, and the other will deal with calculus and differential equations. The presenter is Edward Connors of the University of Massachusetts, Amherst. The details about times and location are in a flyer in your Project NExT registration folder.