



## Syracuse University Future Professoriate Program

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### Call for Proposals: FPP Conference at White Eagle, May 18-19

Again this year the Annual FPP Conference will be held in the idyllic surroundings of the White Eagle Conference Center in Hamilton, NY, the week following



George Justice

Commencement. The conference will feature a full slate of FPP-themed programming, much of it provided by faculty from outside SU — including **keynote speaker George Justice**, Dean of Humanities in the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences at Arizona State University and a nationally prominent champion of graduate education.

The Graduate School is **now accepting proposals** for sessions consistent with the conference's focus on teaching, job search preparation, and other aspects of academic professionalization. Research talks are appropriate only if

the content relates to one of these areas.

Sessions will last one hour and may follow any standard format, e.g., panel, workshop, solo presentation. Proposals are encouraged from both graduate students and faculty. Please email a brief (50-75 word) description of your session, identifying any co-presenters and/or technological requirements, to Graduate School Programs director Glenn Wright ([glwright@syr.edu](mailto:glwright@syr.edu)) by **Friday, March 31**.

Along with its relaxed and collegial atmosphere, the conference is notable for being **free**: registration, room, food, and round-trip bus transportation from campus are all covered by the Graduate School.

Registration info will be coming shortly, but needless to say, presenters are guaranteed a space at the conference. Visit the [FPP conference web page](#) for more details and programs from past years.

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#### FPP Deadlines

FPP Participation Summaries  
from PFLs due **March 24**

CUT Request Forms from PFLs  
due **March 24**

FPP Conference Proposals due  
**March 31**



view from White Eagle

### Get your stipend from the FPP



All FPP participants are eligible to receive an annual FPP individual stipend for a total of two years. These are normally, but not necessarily, the first two years of participation in the program. Currently, the minimum annual stipend is \$150, reflecting the Graduate School's contribution. Many schools/colleges supplement that award with additional funds.

Stipends will be disbursed early in May. To make sure you get yours, fill out the [FPP Participation Summary](#) documenting your activity for the year. The form must be signed by [your Primary Faculty Liaison](#) and forwarded to the Graduate School by **March 24**. Be sure to get the form to your PFL well in advance of the deadline! *No stipend will be issued without the participation summary on file.*

Funds can be used for any purpose, and there are no reporting requirements. You must be formally enrolled in the FPP in order to qualify for a stipend. Not sure about your enrollment status? Inquire with Dina Ioannidis: 443-6130; [kioannid@syr.edu](mailto:kioannid@syr.edu).

## Upcoming FPP events

**February 13.** CUT seminar: "Crafting the Teaching Statement," with Graduate School staff and Prof. Frank Ridzi (Sociology, Le Moyne College). 4:00-5:30 pm, Hall of Languages 214.

**February 15.** Topics in Higher Ed: "Avoiding Predatory Publishing Schemes," with Prof. Jason Wiles (Biology). 5:15-6:30 pm, Kittredge Aud, HBC.

**February 27.** Religion FPP: "Turning Conference Papers into Published Articles," with Prof. Virginia Burrus (Religion). 2:15-3:30 pm, Hall of Languages 504.

**February 28.** CUT seminar: "Universal Design for Learning: Foundations and Applications," with Dr. Diane Wiener. 5:00-6:30 pm, Hall of Languages 214.

**March 23.** Topics in Higher Ed: "Graduate Unionization at Private Universities: Now What?" with Prof. Gary Rhoades (Educational Policy Studies and Practice, University of Arizona). Time and location TBD.

**March 29.** Topics in Higher Ed: "The Ivory Trump Tower," with Rebecca Schuman (via Skype). 12:30-2:00 pm, Eggers 060 (time and location tentative).

**April 26.** FPP Recognition Ceremony for Certificate in University Teaching recipients. Invitation only. 8:30-10:00 am, Faculty Center.

**May 18-19.** FPP Annual Conference. Keynote speaker Dean George Justice (Arts & Sciences, Arizona State U.). White Eagle Conference Center, Hamilton, NY.

## Certificate in University Teaching FAQs



Happy CUT recipient

The Certificate in University Teaching (CUT) is awarded jointly by the Graduate School and FPP-participating academic departments. Eligibility to pursue the CUT is one of the main advantages of FPP participation. This credential looks good on your CV and provides a tangible expression of your readiness to assume college-level teaching duties.

For an overview of the CUT and general requirements, see the [FPP Participant Handbook](#). While many departments/colleges maintain their own requirements or have a special process for the CUT (consult [your Primary Faculty Liaison](#)), all base the award on the submission of a teaching portfolio and the completion of an independent, mentored teaching experience. Your PFL or Faculty Teaching Mentor must approve your portfolio and submit a [CUT Completion Form](#) on your behalf to the Graduate School.

### When can I submit my materials for the CUT?

CUT Completion Forms can be accepted, and the CUT awarded, *at any time* during the academic year. However, if you wish to receive the certificate at the annual FPP award ceremony, your completion form must be on file with the Graduate School by **Friday, March 24**. It is therefore essential that you *confer with your PFL and/or faculty teaching mentor to establish a deadline* for portfolio submission allowing adequate time for review of your materials.

**When is the FPP Award Ceremony?** This year's CUT award ceremony will be a breakfast, **Wednesday, April 26**, 8:30-10:00 a.m. in the Goldstein Faculty and Alumni Center. Limited seating for guests will be available.

**Can I get the CUT even if I'm not graduating?** Yes, you can receive the CUT as soon as your PFL or faculty mentor certifies that you have completed all requirements. You do not need to wait until you have completed your degree program.

**Can I still participate in the FPP after earning the CUT?** In general, yes. However, the FPP is a decentralized program with many variations by department/college. Please consult your PFL about [eligibility requirements](#).