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To: Presidents, State University of New York
From: Provost Risa Palm RP
Subject: *Conversations in the Disciplines Program*

I am pleased to invite your campus faculty to submit proposals for the 2009-2010 competitive cycle of the *Conversations in the Disciplines* program. *Conversations* is renowned for its success in fostering scholarly discourse in and outside of SUNY. The program has heightened SUNY's visibility and garnered recognition for the System from the educational community and the broader public.

Conversations funds intercampus conferences which bring together State University faculty and visiting scholars to examine new trends, review promising findings, and better acquaint themselves with professional developments in their fields and on other campuses. By such interchange, both the professional and personal growth of individuals and the programs of instruction and research at participating campuses are enhanced.

Conversations proposals are submitted on-line and the guidelines will be distributed by e-mail. Please redistribute to all regular, full-time faculty on your campus. The attached guidelines and budget page include all necessary instructions and forms for application and submission. The guidelines are also available on-line at the following URLs: www.suny.edu/provost/facultyawards.cfm. and www.brockport.edu/CID.

The University Faculty Senate Committee on Programs and Awards reviews and recommends proposals for support. The program coordination and funding is done through my office. Therefore, if you have any questions, please contact Dr. Catherine Regan in the Institutional Research Office of Academic Affairs. She can be reached by e-mail at Catherine.Regan@suny.edu or by phone at 518-443-5638.

I hope you will encourage your faculty to participate in this valuable program and I wish those who do apply every success with their submission.

Attachments

Copy: Chief Academic Officers; President, University Faculty Senate; President, Faculty Council of Community Colleges; Research Officers; Library Directors