November 15, 2004
2:00 – 4:00 p.m.
BPAC Recital Hall

Writing Forum

Join us for a campus-wide discussion among faculty on student writing at DSU - and ideas on what WE can do about it!

Sponsors for the Event:

Standards-Based Teacher Education Project (STEP)  WAC Writing Across the Curriculum Committee  Student Engagement Champions

Program for the Event:

Defining the Problem:

A brief presentation on the efforts across campus over the past two years to develop the DSU Quality Enhancement Plan (QEP), and a diagnosis of writing issues raised in the National Survey of Student Engagement (NSSE) administered at DSU.

Improving Writing at DSU:

Representatives from campus committees aimed at improving writing will inform us of their activities and goals, and we'll hear about upcoming seminars and workshops.

Writing Resources on Campus:

The directors of the Writing Center and the Academic Support Lab will discuss the resources they offer students and faculty, and representatives from Roberts-LaForge Library will tell us about initiatives they have to support and enhance student writing.

Group Discussion: Where Do We Go From Here?

The majority of the event will be dedicated to a discussion among faculty on strategies to improve student writing at DSU. Some suggested questions to ponder in preparation for the event:

• How do you incorporate writing in your classroom?
• What barriers do you face in incorporating writing in your classroom?
• What does writing mean in your discipline?
• What can WE (WAC, SEC, STEP) do to help you increase the amount and quality of writing instruction in your classroom?
• What can YOU (faculty, departments) do to increase the amount and quality of writing instruction in your classroom?