



Student Development Salon



Please join us for an interactive professional development opportunity, the Student Development Salon!

What is the Salon?

- Salon: A periodic gathering of people of social or intellectual distinction (dictionary.com).
- The Student Development Salon is a casual, collegial discussion forum, intended to bring together faculty and staff who wish to explore 'hot topics' in student development. This is Salon's third year at Gonzaga, forming a tradition of friendly debate and conversation on trends, theories, and strategies impacting our students and higher education. Sponsored by the Division of Student Life and the Center for Teaching and Advising, the Salon is being co-coordinated by Sima Thorpe, Assistant Dean of Students and Director, Center for Community Action and Service-Learning, and Erin Yastro, Residence Director.

When does the Salon meet?

- Gonzaga faculty, administrators, and staff are welcome to attend any or all of our three spring-term sessions. Mark your calendar now for our remaining spring 2010 dates: Thursday, **March 4**; and Thursday, **April 15** (Note: each Salon will occur from **4:00 – 5:30 p.m.** at **Jack & Dan's** on Hamilton). We will hold Salon off-campus to foster a casual atmosphere. Refreshments will be provided and attendees are welcome to purchase their own beverages.
- In addition, articles or other publications will be announced prior to each session. These readings will provide fodder for conversation and will offer background information on each session topic. Attendees are expected to review the readings prior to each session. A special guest facilitator will be present to moderate discussion at each session.

What will we talk about?

- Remaining discussion topics and articles include:
 - Session 2: Student Technology Use and Social Networking (March 4)
 - Facilitated by Dr. John Caputo, Communications Department
 - Multiple articles and clips to be provided upon RSVP
 - Session 3: Student Alcohol and Drug Use (April 15)

How can I get involved?

- To participate, please contact one of the Salon coordinators by the day prior to each session you to plan to attend; your timely RSVP is appreciated for venue reservations. We will be happy to send you a list of the article(s) via e-mail when you RSVP. We encourage your participation and look forward to hearing from you!
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