

Sabbatical at UW

The Educators' Sabbatical Program, run by the Department of Mathematics of the University of Washington, is designed to encourage teachers of mathematics at community colleges to spend sabbatical years at the University of Washington. Through this program, community college teachers will better understand the activities of the UW Department of Mathematics while simultaneously helping faculty at UW better understand educational issues at the community colleges. Ultimately, this process should help to ease the transition students must make in coming from community colleges to UW. The program is in its first year. Applications are invited for those interested in participating during the 2002-2003 academic year.

As part of the program, the Department of Mathematics runs weekly seminars in which UW faculty members and community college teachers discuss the techniques and materials they use in courses, such as precalculus and calculus, that are taught both at UW and at community colleges. In addition, UW faculty describe the material of these courses that students will be required to know in courses subsequent to calculus.

If you are interested in participating, but your community college provides less than full salary as sabbatical support, additional financial support is available from the UW in exchange for a proportional amount of teaching. Typically, an applicant might receive 2/3rds of full salary from his or her home institution. In this case, UW will pay the additional 1/3rd salary in exchange for the applicant's teaching 1/3rd of a UW Lecturer's normal load. For the 2002-2003 academic year, the Department can support approximately 6 community college teachers in this manner. Participants in the program also have the opportunity to rekindle their interest in mathematics itself by attending seminars and advanced courses or working directly with faculty members.

Interested? For more information, you can contact Brooke Miller at (206) 543-6830 or at miller@math.washington.edu. Should you decide to apply, please include the following items in your application.

- A cover letter stating that you would like to apply for the Educators' Sabbatical Program, including any information about the financial support you might need and the period of time you are interested in coming here. Indicate when you expect to hear about approval of sabbatical support from your home institution.
- A CV.
- A list of courses that you have taught.

These items should be sent by February 1, 2002 to

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