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St. Petersburg College's Critical Thinking Institute and the Florida Association on Higher Education and Disability (FL-AHEAD) present the

Twelfth Annual Narrowing the Gulf Conference
for Underrepresented Students in Postsecondary Education

March 31-April 1, 2011

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MARCH 31- APRIL 1, 2011
ST. PETERSBURG COLLEGE
EPICENTER
13805 58TH STREET N
LARGO, FLORIDA

CONFERENCE REGISTRATION FEES

Conference Registration Fees	
Early Bird (before Feb. 25)	\$125
Feb. 25 - March 12	\$150
After March 12	\$175
FL-AHEAD Members	\$99
Students	\$50

REGISTRATION

[Register online](#) or fill out the [Conference Registration Form](#).

CONFERENCE AGENDA

Thursday, March 31

7:30 a.m. □ 4 p.m.

Registration and information desk open

7:30 □ 8:30 a.m.

Continental breakfast

8:30 □ 9:30 a.m.

Opening General Session
Critical Thinking Skills for Students with
Learning Disabilities
Keynote Address by Dr. John Good

9:30 □ 9:55 a.m.

Break

9:55 □ 10:55 a.m.

Breakout session I

10:55 □ 11:10 a.m.

Break

11:10 a.m. □ 12:10 p.m.

Breakout session II

12:10 □ 1:30 p.m.

Lunch on your own
FL-AHEAD Luncheon and Spring
Meeting

1:30 □ 2:30 p.m.

Breakout session III

2:30 □ 2:40 p.m.

Break

2:40 □ 3:40 p.m.

Breakout session IV

3:45 □ 5 p.m.

Florida update

Friday, April 1

7:30 a.m. □ noon

Registration and information desk open

7:30 □ 8:30 a.m.

Continental breakfast

8:30 □ 9:30 a.m.

Breakout session V

9:30 □ 9:45 a.m.

Break

9:45 □ 10:45 a.m.

Breakout session VI

10:45 □ 11 a.m.

Break

11 a.m. □ noon

Closing general session
Appreciating our veterans
Keynote address by Rick Curry, S.J., Ph.D.

SESSION TOPICS

Join your colleagues for two days of learning and networking. Topics for sessions include:

- Transitioning issues that impact college students with autism spectrum
- Diversity in the Classroom □ Understanding and Appreciating Cultural Differences
- Revelation Theory of Learning
- Strategies for teaching critical thinking
- Project Connect: Providing Students with Intellectual Disabilities a College Experience
- Working with deaf and hard of hearing students
- Working with Returning Veterans
- Thinking is Not a Solitary Process
- Hands-on Assistive Technology Workshop
- Florida state and national updates
- Universal Design in Web-based learning
- Teaching Social Entrepreneurship to Reach at-risk students
- Incorporating Authentic Assessment in the Classroom
- Teaching strategies that relate to today's college student
- Critical Thinking in a Moral Context
- Strategies for collaboration to serve students with disabilities
- Understanding the challenges faced by GLBT students and strategies to help create a safe learning environment for them
- Developing benevolent purpose among students with disabilities
- Students with Disabilities: Discussion of specific class situations □ what would you do
- Using Your Critical Thinking Skills
- Critical Thinking Skills for students with disabilities in SLS
- Measuring Critical Thinking in Management Soft Skills courses
- 10 Simple Ways to Get students to think critically



KEYNOTE SPEAKERS

Opening Keynote Address:

Dr. Johnny Good



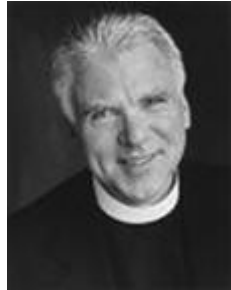
Dr. Johnny Good is Professor Emeritus at Beacon College, where he has served as Vice President of Institutional Effectiveness and Outreach Programs. He also served as the Director of the Beacon College Quality Enhancement Plan, □Enhancing Critical Thinking for Students with Learning Disabilities.□ Dr. Good is passionate about the idea that learning a discipline or subject matter is important, but is not all there is to being educated. He believes students with learning disabilities must learn to think critically in order to function and succeed in today's complex society. As an adult with a learning disability, Dr. Good has a unique perspective of the difficulties students with learning disabilities face in their pursuit of a quality education and the role that using good critical thinking skills play in reaching one's educational goals and potential in life.

Dr. Good received his Ed.D. degree from Texas A & M University in Secondary and Higher Education. He is a frequent presenter at conferences and high schools, telling his life story of how he was told he could never attend college and how he used □secret□ study strategies to attain success in college, rising from a janitor position to becoming a college vice president. His strategies for success have inspired students with learning disabilities across the nation to

never give up on themselves, and to work hard to attain their educational goals and fulfill their potential.

Closing Keynote Address:

Rick Curry, SJ, PhD.



Back by popular demand, **Rick Curry** will provide insights into his work with Wounded Warriors. For the past five years, Curry has been teaching veterans returning from Iraq and Afghanistan how to write their stories as theatre and providing opportunities for them to tell their stories to live audiences. He will share with us what he has learned in this work with our veterans and how theatre can be a healing foundation for these men and women. Curry currently teaches Theatre at Georgetown University in Washington, DC and continues his work with veterans in the Washington area and across the country.



SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS BY:

Dr. Amy Albee, Coordinator of Access and Equity for the Florida Department of Education will focus on issues dealing with transitions and documentation for students with disabilities and bring conference participants up to date on statewide issues and policies.

Dr. Scott Lissner, Disability and ADA Coordinator, Ohio State University and President-Elect of the Association on Higher Education and Disability (AHEAD) will address the challenges colleges and universities face with the reauthorization of the Americans with Disabilities Act and provide insights into strategies to ensure compliance with the new amendments.



WORKSHOP PRESENTERS

- Dr. Frank Appunn, St. Petersburg College
- Dr. Bea Awoniyi, Florida State University
- Nicole Barger, Hillsborough Community College
- Katherine Bruni, PEPNet South, GA
- Jeff Cavanagh, St. Petersburg College
- John Connor, Daytona State College
- Dr. Jesse Coraggio, St. Petersburg College
- Dr. Meg Delgado, St. Petersburg College
- Tom Derzypolski, St. Petersburg College
- Kelly Dwight, Florida State University
- Dr. Michael Earle, St. Petersburg College
- Denise Giarusso, Florida State College at Jacksonville
- Andrew Gold, State University of New York (Maritime College and Westchester Community College) and Iona College, NY
- Dr. Gary Graham, St. Petersburg College
- Dr. Lynn Grinnell, St. Petersburg College
- Mickie Hayes, Hillsborough Community College

- Dr. Linda Hogans, St. Petersburg College
- Dr. Jordan Knapp, University of South Florida
- Dr. Gail Lancaster, St. Petersburg College
- Chris Littlewood, St. Petersburg College
- Regina Miller, St. Petersburg College
- Dr. David Monroe, St. Petersburg College
- Susan Richmond, Center for Autism Related Disorders, FL
- Matthew Stewart, University of South Florida
- Dr. Janice Thiel, St. Petersburg College
- Taylor Thompson, Florida State University
- Dr. Eric Tucker, St. Petersburg College
- Dr. Kris Webb, University of North Florida
- Dr. Carol Weideman, St. Petersburg College



CONFERENCE SITE

This year's conference will be at the EpiCenter, a joint-use facility between St. Petersburg College and Pinellas County where professionals from business, government and academia come together to provide a unique blend of information and services. The EpiCenter houses SPC's Corporate Training Center, which provides innovative business solutions and training to meet the needs of businesses and individuals through credit and non-credit classes in professional development, technology, regulated industries, and business solutions.

The EpiCenter also houses the 10,000-squarefoot Collaborative Labs, where businesses can focus on planning, strategizing, problemsolving, and business development. Additionally, the EpiCenter has instructional space for several of SPC's high-tech, two-year programs, as well as the college's four-year Technology Management program.



ACCOMMODATIONS

A block of rooms has been reserved for conference participants at the Holiday Inn Express, 13625 ICOT Blvd., Largo, Fla. This newly renovated hotel is within walking distance of the conference site. Transportation also will be provided for those who prefer to ride. Room rates \$119 per night plus tax. There are suites available at \$149 per night plus tax. Guest room rates include a hot breakfast each morning. Call 727-536-7275 and ask for a group-rate reservation with St. Petersburg College's Narrowing the Gulf Conference.

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