September 2025: Graduate Professional Development

Subject: Professional Development Pulse: NCFDD Resources for Academic Success

The School of Graduate Education (SGE) is highlighting professional development resources available through the NCFDD that could benefit our graduate school community.

What is NCFDD?

NCFDD is a nationally recognized, independent organization dedicated to supporting faculty, postdocs, and graduate students throughout their academic careers. NCFDD's mission is to help higher education professionals and graduate students make successful transitions throughout their academic careers by developing, connecting, and empowering the next wave of academic leaders.

NCFDD currently supports over 285,000 faculty, graduate students, and postdocs from more than 450 colleges and universities, providing evidence-based professional development, training, and mentoring resources. The University of Wyoming is a participating University.

What NCFDD Seeks to Achieve:

NCFDD focuses on four key areas: strategic planning, explosive productivity, healthy relationships, and work-life balance.

Who can use the Platform:

NCFDD's programs serve faculty (tenure-track, tenured, and alternative academic careers), postdoctoral researchers, graduate students, and academic administrators. Resources are applicable across all academic disciplines and career stages.

Resources the Platform offers:

- 1. Dissertation Success Curriculum
- 2. 14-Day Writing Challenge
- 3. Monday Motivator Newsletter
- 4. Webinars and quest expert sessions
- 5. Private discussion forums
- 6. Writing accountability partnerships
- 7. Core curriculum training library

Structured Programs for Graduate Students:

- 1. Private writing challenges for member institutions
- 2. Individual coaching sessions
- 3. Multi-week specialized courses

How to Access the Platform:

The University of Wyoming has membership, and as such, all faculty and graduate students have full access. You just need to login with your UW email credentials. Below is the link to the platform:

Main Platform: https://www.ncfdd.org/

Please don't hesitate to contact SGE if you have any questions about these professional development opportunities.

Stay connected as we will bring you more <u>professional development</u> resources each month.