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To: All Faculty; All Adjuncts
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Subject: SPoI Item Feedback Needed

Sent on behalf of the SPoI Form Writing Committee

Dear Colleagues,

The SPoI (Student Perception of Learning) Form Writing Committee (FWC) consists of 8 faculty member representatives selected through the Faculty Senate process. In August 2013, the SPoI FWC was charged to write items for the Student Perception of Learning (SPoI) which will be replacing the SAI in Fall 2014. Our task was to develop items that can inform our teaching by providing data to support what we do and the changes that we may be implementing in our classes. With the focus on formative feedback, the SPoI will not include metrics when results are provided to faculty members. The intent is to move away from "rate your professor" thinking to focus more on our professional growth and development as instructors.

How we have approached this task. We began by listing areas that we think are important to inform our teaching such as Learning, Communication, Organization, Content & Course Goals, Readings & Course Materials, Assignments, and Grading. The committee reviewed the literature, discussed and identified best practices, and developed both rating scale and open-ended items that might fit under each category. After thoughtful review and deliberations we reduced the items to a smaller set and would like to gather your feedback on the draft items we are considering.

Our draft. We have focused on the language of the items to be sure that students understand what we are trying to assess. We also agreed that the instrument should be short enough to gather feedback before students opt out because of length. Our goal is to have 3-4 open-ended items and 5-6 rating scale items.

The items we have developed are for the "general" SPoI; that is, items that will fit most classes. You will notice that we have included more items than the 8-10 goal so that your feedback can guide us as we finalize the document. Please note that we will be working on additional questions that can be used for specialized courses (clinical, fieldwork, performance, lab, on-line, service learning, etc.) once we complete this general form. Those specialized items will be shared with you for feedback in the future.

Your input. Please go to the SPoI website (<http://www.fgcu.edu/planning/spoi/index.html>) and provide feedback on the items we are considering. The survey is in the menu on the left, **SPoI Item Survey**. We appreciate your comments and ideas and hope to hear from many of you. Your comments and feedback to the committee will be reviewed at our meeting on October 30, 2013. Please respond by October 28, 2013.

Sincerely,

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