

**\*Now Accepting Applications\***

**Year 3 of MAKING CONNECTIONS: AN EPORTFOLIO MINI-GRANT AND SEMINAR PROGRAM**

This FIPSE-funded project is designed to help colleges in the NYC metropolitan area move forward with the use of ePortfolio to enhance learning and support new approaches to assessment, accreditation, and transfer. **The deadline for application is November 19, 2009.**

Making Connections builds upon growing interest in ePortfolio in higher education nationwide and around the world. LaGuardia Community College (CUNY), a recognized leader in the field, will convene a yearlong seminar program for participating schools, creating opportunities for dialogue and shared learning. The yearlong seminar will begin in February 2010 and include monthly meetings and a summer institute. Participating colleges will receive a \$5,000 mini-grant plus stipends for participating faculty and staff.

Over the past two years, Making Connections has built a thriving network of 24 campus teams, ranging from Queensborough Community College (CUNY) to Rutgers and St. Johns Universities. Our first cohort began meeting in January 2008, focusing on ePortfolio in Teacher Education programs and General Education. Our second cohort met first in February 2009, focusing on ePortfolio in Allied Health & Sciences. For our third cohort, we welcome applications from colleges who want to focus on ePortfolio in professional programs, such as Fine Arts & Design, New Media Studies, Journalism, Engineering, Environmental Science, where ePortfolio could be presented to potential employees. In addition, we will continue to welcome applications focused on General Education.

**The application materials(available at:**

**<http://www.lagcc.cuny.edu/ctl/connections/cohort3.htm>**

We invite you to consider applying to this program. The application process for our first two cohorts was competitive, and participating colleges have been highly enthusiastic about the value of the program. Please feel free to forward this announcement to the person or team you feel would be most appropriate at your institution, and to

colleagues who you feel would be interested at other institutions as well.

If you have questions or wish to have our guidance in preparing an application, please do not hesitate to contact us via email or telephone. Dr. Judit Torok is the primary point person and is reachable at [jtorok@lagcc.cuny.edu](mailto:jtorok@lagcc.cuny.edu) or by phone at (718) 482-5499. You are also welcome to contact me, and/or our faculty leaders, Prof. Max Rodriguez ([rodriguez@lagcc.cuny.edu](mailto:rodriguez@lagcc.cuny.edu)) and Prof. Clarence Chan ([cchan@lagcc.cuny.edu](mailto:cchan@lagcc.cuny.edu)).

We look forward to hearing from you and working together towards our shared goals.

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