EXPLORING THE WRITER’S CRAFT:  
When Guided Conversation Helps Students  
September 24, 2016 at SUNY New Paltz

The HUDSON VALLEY WRITING PROJECT at SUNY New Paltz invites teachers who work with students of all ages—from preschool to college—in all subject areas to attend this free Saturday Seminar. In experiential workshops participants will explore how to design and lead conversations that build students’ craft knowledge of writing.

8:30 am - 9:00 am  SIGN-IN REGISTRATION  
Room 229, Old Main Building, SUNY New Paltz

9:00 am-10:30 am  SESSION ONE WORKSHOPS (Choose one):

CONSTRUCTING UNDERSTANDING: Writing in the Block Area  
(Preschool – Grade 3)  
Elaine Myrianthopoulos, Dutchess Community College Lab Nursery School

I WONDER WHY: Encouraging Inquiry Through Written Conversations  
(Grades 4-12)  
Fiona McKenna, Kingston High School

UNITING OUR VOICES: Collaborative Writing as a Way to Discuss Writing  
(Grades 5-12)  
Alison Scanlon, Somers High School

10:30 am-12:00 pm  SESSION TWO WORKSHOPS (Choose one):

LOVE THAT POETRY: Using Mentor Texts to Inspire Writing  
(Grades 1-12)  
Courtney Mazza, Montgomery Elementary School

READING AND WRITING THROUGH ROSE COLORED GLASSES:  
(Grades 5-12)  
Using Themes to Engage Students and Foster Inquiry  
Jason Michalek, Newburgh Enlarged City School District

MENTORS, MUSTS & MIGHTS:  
(Grades 7-12)  
Using Exemplars to Improve Argument-Writing Skills  
Christine Drysdale, Somers High School

No preregistration necessary to attend. Teachers may document inservice hours by registering in advance on MyLearningPlan through the Mid-Hudson Teacher Center website: www.mhtc.dcboces.org.

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