

November 16, 2017

Dear Associate Professors:

I am pleased to announce the second year of the Mid-Career Faculty Writing Program. This program is designed to assist mid-career faculty with the various stages of writing for publication, with the ultimate goal of helping to build the dossier for promotion to full professor. The program runs on the calendar year and will begin in January 2018. Faculty may self-nominate or be nominated by their Unit Executive Officer (UEO). The mentors for this program are UIC emeriti faculty. We received very positive feedback from this year's participants so I hope you will consider applying.

There are two components of the Mid-Career Faculty Writing Program:

(1) facilitated writing work groups and (2) writing accountability groups. The facilitated work groups allow for faculty to come together on a regular basis to share their work, and receive feedback from a facilitator. The writing accountability groups provide a forum for faculty to report on their progress toward their writing goals, and to discuss and get feedback concerning obstacles to writing. The scheduling of the group meetings will be decided upon in collaboration with the emeritus faculty member facilitating each group.

A list of your writing goals is required in order to apply. It is recommended that you share these goals and your intention to participate with your department Head or Chair prior to participating. Department Heads/Chairs are being encouraged (but not required) to relieve participating faculty of significant committee work and other departmental service while faculty are in the program.

For fullest consideration, please complete and submit the following application by **Wednesday, November 29, 2017**, by accessing the Qualtrics survey system using the following link: https://uic.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_87dTyUL3MSrU2rP.

If you have any questions about the program, please contact the Vice Provost for Faculty Affairs, Renee Taylor (rtaylor@uic.edu).

Sincerely,



Susan Poser
Provost and Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs