

The Inaugural Northeastern Section NExT
Friday, November 22, 2002
10:00 am - 2:00 pm
Framingham State College
Framingham, MA

The Northeastern Section is inaugurating a Section NExT program for new and relatively new colleagues at this year's fall Section meeting. By providing talks and workshops on issues of interest, opportunities to meet and share ideas with other new colleagues, and an introduction into Section activities, we hope to assist new faculty in their transition from graduate school to professional academic life. We welcome all untenured full time faculty, both those who have and have not been National NExT fellows.

Registration and all sessions will take place in the Fireplace Lounge on the Third Floor (street level) of the D. Justin McCarthy College Center. Lunch will be served in McCarthy's on the Second Floor of the D. Justin McCarthy College Center.

10:00 -10:30 Registration of prospective Section NExT fellows and preliminary information.

10:30-11:30 *Trials and Errors*, by Prof. Charles Vinsonhaler of The University of Connecticut. Prof. Vinsonhaler, who is a former NES/MAA Distinguished Teacher recipient, will share several classroom projects from calculus that worked and some that didn't work, under the hypothesis that we learn more from our failures than from our successes.

11:30-12:00 Discussion of future plans for NES Section NExT.

12:00 -1:00 Lunch

1:00 - 2:00 *Profound Understanding of Fundamental Statistics*, by Prof. Mary Sullivan of Rhode Island College. Prof Sullivan is the chair of SIGMAA in Statistics Education. She will demonstrate hands on activities that explore concepts typically found in a first course in statistics. Participants are encouraged to bring a TI-83+.

3:00 Section Meeting begins.

Registration for the Fall Meeting will take place in the Lobby (street level) of the Athletic and Recreation Center next to Dwight Hall.

Saturday morning

8:00 am New Colleague's Sessions.

The New Colleague's Talks will take place in the Auditorium of Dwight Hall.

If you are interested, please contact Lisa Humphreys of Rhode Island College at LHumphreys@ric.edu. You should also register for the Section meeting by completing the registration form in the Section Newsletter and check off that you will be participating in the Section NExT program. (If you did not receive a Newsletter, indicate that to Lisa.) Note that the Section NExT activities are free.

We also invite all new colleagues to the Section to give a talk during the New Colleague's Sessions on Saturday morning. For more information consult the Section Newsletter or the meeting website http://www.frc.mass.edu/smabrouk/NES_MAA/Fall_2002/program/index.htm. (You can also access this through the MAA website, clicking on Sections and then Northeastern.)