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Dear Colleagues,

I am pleased to announce that UMass Boston has joined the National Center for Faculty Development and Diversity (NCFDD) as an institutional member. The NCFDD is a nationally recognized, independent organization that provides online career development and mentoring services. NCFDD is exceptionally sensitive to the challenges that diverse faculty face in higher education, and we expect it to enhance the array of in-house, in-person services currently offered by our own Office for Faculty Development.

Over the years many UMB faculty members have participated in NCFDD programs as individuals and subsequently requested through the Office for Faculty Development that we become an institutional member. Now by doing so, all faculty (TT and NTT), post-docs, and graduate students have access to the following services at no additional cost:

- Weekly **Monday Motivator**
- Monthly **Core Curriculum Webinars**
- Monthly **Guest Expert Webinars**
- Access to **Multi-Week Courses**
- Access to **Dissertation Success Curriculum** for graduate students
- Private **Discussion Forum** for peer-mentoring, problem-solving, & moderated writing challenges
- Monthly accountability buddy matches
- Access to **14-Day Writing Challenges**
- Access to the **Member Library** that includes past webinar materials, referrals, and readings

At an additional cost to the individual, NCFDD also offers a 12-week summer Faculty Success Program.

To take advantage of these opportunities, you can activate your confidential membership by completing the following steps:

- Go to <http://www.FacultyDiversity.org/Join>.
- After you have created a username and password, enter your institutional email address to expedite your registration and complete the registration process.
- You will receive a welcome e-mail within 1-2 business days confirming that the account is approved and active.

If you have any technical questions, please email NCFDD: Membership@FacultyDiversity.org

For other questions, contact Camille Martinez, Assistant Director, Office for Faculty Development:
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OFD will provide further orientation to NCFDD in the coming weeks. I encourage you to explore the available services and take advantage of them in any way that fits your needs and interests.

Sincerely,

Emily A. McDermott, Interim Provost and Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs