**HAPPY Hour!**

**Having Active Participation Prepare You**

Pre-Service Teacher Professional Development

http://education.ucf.edu/happy/hour

HAPPY (Having Active Participation Prepare You) Hour consists of professional development workshops scheduled throughout the year. The workshops, which typically last 1-1 1/2 hours, feature university faculty and PreK-12 personnel who have expertise in areas of interest to pre-service teachers. Unless otherwise specified, the workshops require no pre-registration. Students simply show up, learn, have fun, and gain experience to add to their professional resumes!

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Below are a few examples of upcoming HAPPY Hour workshops:

- Social Network Sites: How They May Impact Your Teaching Job
- Wii Interactive Whiteboards: Get Teachers
- What's New in Young Adolescent Literature
- Conducting a Successful Parent-Teacher Conference
- Tips for the Interviewing Process
- Teaching: The First Three Years
- Teaching Math Through Problem Solving
- Motivating Students to Read

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HAPPY Hour also includes the HAPPY Hour Student Showcase, a mini-conference in the Teaching Academy and Education Building Complex during which students can share their best work with their peers. This event is a tremendous opportunity for professional development in which students can enhance their scholarship, presentational skills, and teaching credentials.

The next HAPPY Hour Student Showcase will be 8:30 a.m.-4:00 p.m. on Saturday, January 28, 2012.

Check out the website for fall workshops that will give you information about the many ways you can participate in this exciting event!
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The HAPPY Hour Student Showcase is a fun-filled mini-conference highlighting pre-service teachers. It includes:

- Interactive and diverse student workshops
  representative of best practices in education
- A dynamic motivational speaker
  Teacher supply vendors
  Door prizes and refreshments
  Tons of educational resources
  Networking opportunities

Benefits of the HAPPY Hour Student Showcase to student presenters:

- You will hone your presentation skills and show future employers that you have initiative and the desire to be a life-long learner.
- You will experience the ultimate form of professional development.
- You will participate in an actual conference experience by learning how to write presentation proposals and how to implement your presentation.
- If desired, you will have a faculty mentor to help you through the entire process.
- You will receive special recognition during the Closing Session of the Showcase.

The following are some ideas for Showcase presentation topics:

- Strategies/activities learned in classes, internships, and workshops (such as HAPPY Hour workshops)
- Course assignments of which you are proud
- Strategies learned from peers, supervising teachers, and/or course instructors
Below are a few examples of past HAPPY Hour Student Showcase workshops:

- New Uses for Everyday Objects
- Shh! Nonverbal Tips to Manage Your Class
- Pick Me! Strategies for Effective Questioning
- 8 Ways to Be Smart (Multiple Intelligences)
- More Power to PowerPoint
- Help! My Student Speaks with Hands! (ASL)

Go to the HAPPY Hour website to check out other workshops from past HAPPY Hour Student Showcases. You will find them in the conference programs.

How you can get involved in HAPPY Hour:

- Attend HAPPY Hour workshops.
- Attend the HAPPY Hour Student Showcase on January 28, 2012.
- Give your student organization exposure by partnering with HAPPY Hour.
- Volunteer to be a student assistant and help HAPPY Hour faculty with registration and running the HAPPY Hour Student Showcase.
- Be a student presenter at the HAPPY Hour Student Showcase.

Student Testimonials:

- "We felt good sharing these ideas because these are the skills we have learned that have made us love teaching even more than we already did and have taught us so much about how to be a great teacher, leader, and role model." (Student presenter)

- "I have gleaned many new ideas for creative teaching in the classroom." (HAPPY Hour workshop attendee)

Go to the HAPPY Hour website to check out other student comments.
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SEE YOU AT HAPPY HOUR!