

The Henneke Center for Academic Fulfillment cordially invites you to

## THE ANNUAL ALL FACULTY MEETING

featuring

**Dr. Jay Howard**

on

### Why Won't They Talk?

### Using Discussion to Facilitate Student Engagement & Learning

Faculty often wish to engage students in discussion in class, but sometimes our efforts fall flat and we give up the effort.

- Why should we seek to utilize discussion in class? What classroom norms sometimes undermine discussion?
- Which students are most likely to participate, and which are most likely to choose not to participate? ...For what reasons?
- How can an instructor manage both the dominant talkers and the non-talkers?

During the **morning session**, we will engage each of these questions, using a review of the research to identify ways to structure class discussion to maximize student participation and learning.

In the **afternoon workshop**, we will seek to apply insights from the scholarship of teaching and learning to address challenges in your courses. What are some strategies for preparing students for effective and productive discussion? What ground rules can help make students feel sufficiently safe to participate in discussion? How might we structure discussion to help achieve learning goals? How can one use discussion in online courses? What do our syllabi communicate to students about the value of discussion? Bring a syllabus from one of your classes and come prepared to talk about the challenges you face in utilizing discussion in your courses and to learn from others!

**Thursday,  
January 10**

#### **Annual Faculty Meeting**

10:30 am to Noon  
ACAC, Great Hall

#### **Lunch**

Noon to 1:00 pm  
ACAC, Great Hall

#### **Afternoon Workshop**

1:00pm to 2:30pm  
ACAC, Gallery



Dr. Jay Howard is Professor of Sociology and Dean of the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences at Butler University in Indianapolis. His research interests range from the Scholarship of Teaching and Learning to religion and popular culture. His book, co-authored with John M. Streck, *Apostles of Rock: The Splintered World of Contemporary Christian Music* (University Press of Kentucky, 1999) was named a 2000 Choice Magazine Outstanding Academic Title. Professor Howard is the recipient of numerous teaching awards including the P. A. Mack Award for Distinguished Service to Teaching (2009) from the Indiana University Faculty Colloquium on Excellence in Teaching, and the Hans O. Mauksch

Award (2008) for Distinguished Contributions to Undergraduate Education from the American Sociological Association Section on Teaching and Learning in Sociology.

Please RSVP by January 6<sup>th</sup> to [Henneke-center@utulsa.edu](mailto:Henneke-center@utulsa.edu) or to Lauren at 918.631.2530