



Dr. T. Roger Taylor
Curriculum Design for Excellence, Inc.
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Summer 2010

Dear Colleague,

We are looking forward to the workshop, **GPS: Guiding Pupils to Success Using an Integrated, Interdisciplinary, Thematic Approach to Differentiate Curriculum** to be conducted by Dr. T. Roger Taylor and hosted by Saint Martin's University during the week of July 19 - 23, 2010. The workshop will be held at the Saint Placid Priory, 500 College St. NE, Lacey, WA. Parking is limited – Shuttles will be provided to the priory from the Saint Martin's student parking lot.

We will begin Monday with coffee and refreshments between 8-8:30 a.m. and continue to 3:30 p.m. with a lunch break. The hours for Tuesday through Friday will be 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Lunch is on your own. You may go out to lunch at any of the local restaurants, or "brown bag it" and bring your own lunch with you. You will be given an assignment for each day. If your writing group completes the assignment before 5:00 p.m., you may leave the workshop site to pursue independent work, etc. Even though you are pre-registered, please stop at the registration table on Monday at 8:00 a.m. to check in and receive workshop materials.

Saint Martin's College of Education will provide WA State clock hours at no additional cost or you may receive three graduate credits for \$115.00 per credit. Registration materials and a syllabus will be available the first day of the workshop. Three semester units of graduate level credit will be offered by the University of San Diego for the institute at an additional cost of \$275.00. If you choose to take the workshop for university credit, you may register on Tuesday of the workshop or you can register online at www.robertaylor.com any time before the last day of the workshop.

You will be writing a differentiated curriculum unit based on an interdisciplinary, integrated, thematic model, so if you have a specific topic or theme in mind you may bring books, references, resources, and/or a computer with you. **PLEASE READ THE ATTACHED LIST OF SUGGESTED MATERIALS TO BRING.** It is advantageous to attend the workshop with a team or someone from your district. However, if you are attending alone do not worry, Dr. Taylor will make sure you will be matched with a team appropriate with your content area, topic interest, and grade level. Please dress comfortably and bring lots of energy!

Sincerely,

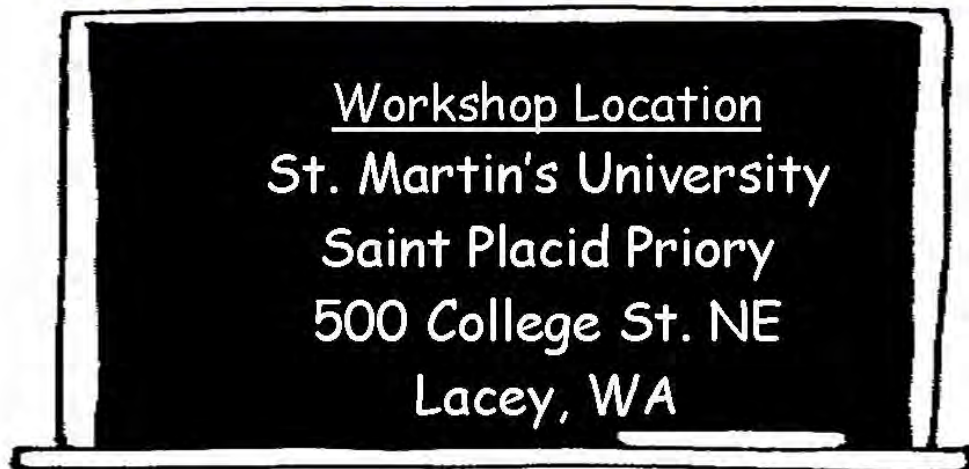
Beverly Milam Taylor, Ed.D.



Presents
A Five-Day Curriculum Writing Institute
In

Olympia, WA—(Lacey)
July 19-23, 2010

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Other Information Attached

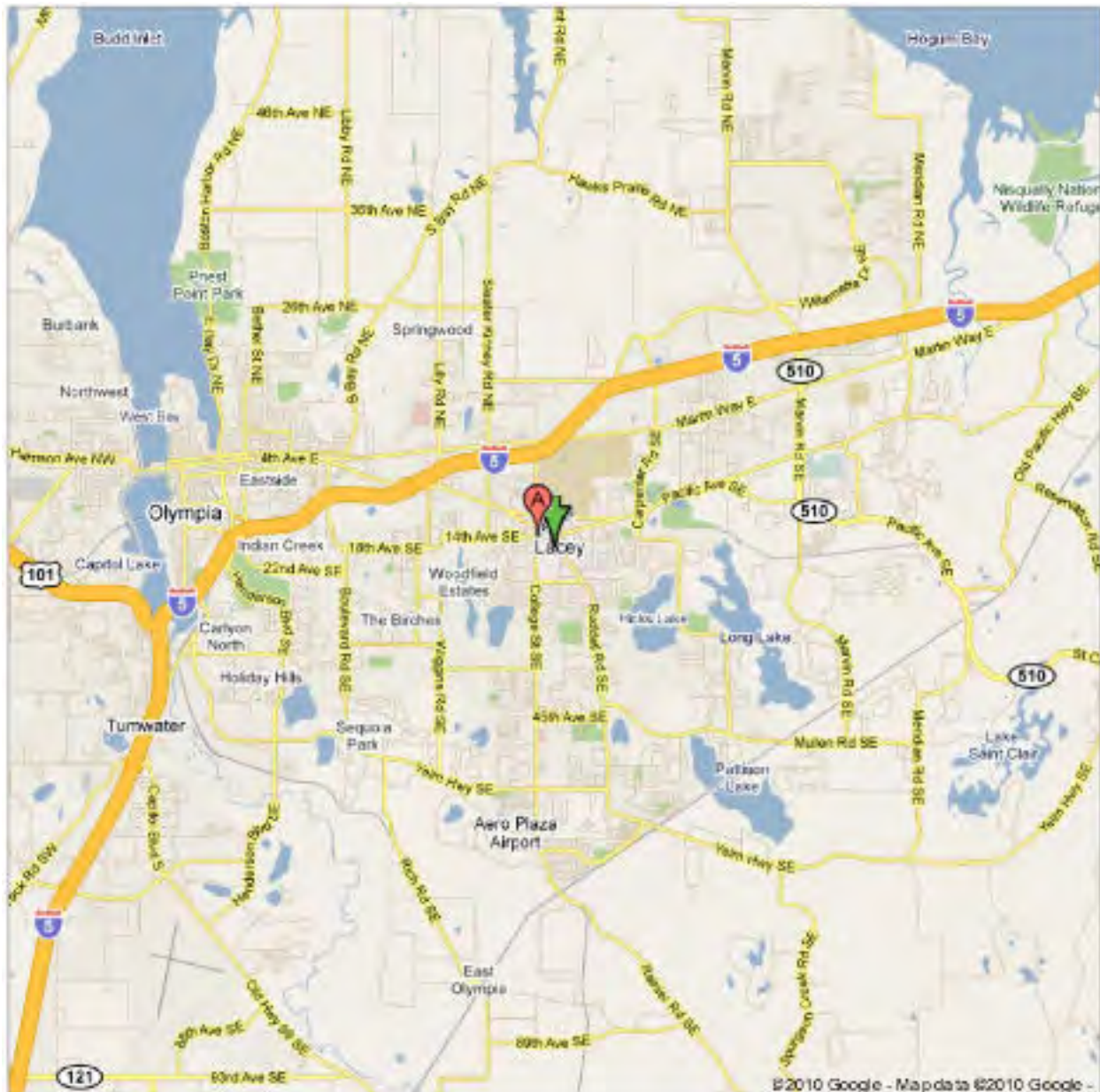
- City Map & Directions
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- Recommended Reading List



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Directions to:
St. Martin's University
Saint Placid Priory
500 College St. NE
Lacey, WA



To get directions, [click here](#).



Driving Directions Link to Saint Martin's via I-5:

http://www.stmartin.edu/about/drivinghere.aspx#Driving_directions_to_Saint_Martins_campus

Driving Directions from St. Martin's to the St. Placid Priory:

<http://www.mapquest.com/maps?1c=Lacey&1s=WA&1a=5300+Pacific+Ave+SE&1z=98503-7500&1y=US&1l=47.03709&1g=-122.81565&1v=ADDRESS&2c=Lacey&2s=WA&2a=500+College+St+NE&2z=98516-5339&2y=US&2l=47.051721&2g=-122.823058&2v=ADDRESS>

Campus Map Link:

<http://www.stmartin.edu/about/SMUCampusMap.pdf>



Housing and a Meal Plan are available from Saint Martin's University

On-Campus Housing

\$37.00 per night per person double occupancy

\$45.00 per night single occupancy

Meal Plan On-Campus

Cafeteria Plan - \$24.54 per day

Breakfast - \$6.51

Lunch - \$8.89

Dinner - \$12.18

**For further information contact Rebecca Campeau
rcampeau@stmartin.edu**



Hotel Information

Candlewood Suites

4440 3rd Ave SE
Lacey, WA
(360) 491-1698

Comfort Inn

4700 Park Center Ave NE
Lacey, WA
(360) 456-6300

Holiday Inn Express Hotel & Suites

4460 3rd Ave SE
Lacey, WA
(360) 491-7985

Quality Inn and Suites

120 College St. SE
Lacey, WA
(360) 493-1991

Ramada Olympia WA

4520 Martin Way E.
I-5 & Exit 109
Olympia, WA 98516 US

Super 8 Lacey Olympia Area

112 College St SE
Interstate 5 Exit 109
Lacey, WA 98503 US



Restaurants in the St. Martin's area

[Meconis Italian Subs Of Lacey](#)

5225 Lacey Blvd SE, Lacey, WA
Phone - (360) 459-0213

[Mehfil Cuisine Of India](#)

810 Sleater Kinney Road Southeast
Lacey, WA 98503 (360) 486-0676

[Norma's Burgers](#)

7210 Martin Way East
Olympia, WA 98516 (360) 456-6547

O'Blarney's Irish Pub, Inc.

4411 Martin Way E
Olympia, WA 98516
360.459.8084

[Red Lobster](#)

4505 Martin Way East
Lacey, WA 98516 (360) 493-0393

[Shari's Restaurant](#)

4525 Martin Way East
Lacey, WA 98516

Starbucks

700 Sleater Kinney Road SE
Lacey, WA (360) 491-8247

[Wendy's](#)

526 Sleater Kinney Rd SE
Lacey, WA 98503 (360) 459-7373

IMPORTANT INFORMATION TO KNOW FOR THE SUMMER 2010 CURRICULUM-WRITING WORKSHOP

GPS: Guiding Pupils to Success Using an Integrated, Interdisciplinary, Thematic Approach to Differentiate Curriculum

**With
Dr. T. Roger Taylor**

Anticipation is building for what many teachers in the last 26 years have said is the most exciting, intellectually stimulating, and demanding week, not only of their summer but also of their professional education! You may have attended one of Dr. Taylor's one-day seminars either through a district-wide in-service, a national or state conference, an NSCI Conference or through an intensive one-day Bureau of Education and Research (BER) seminar. At these seminars Dr. Taylor is essentially the "sage on the stage" but during this weeklong CURRICULUM WRITING workshop he will be the "guide on the side." This Workshop is focused completely on professional teachers creating their own curriculum for their own students using their own intelligence, energy, and creativity with their recommended materials and resources. Dr. Taylor will begin each day by taking you through the curriculum writing model objectives for that day. Detailed examples and practical applications will be addressed (K-12) before teachers begin to write. Following his presentation he will spend the majority of classroom time working with writing teams of teachers as they design integrated, interdisciplinary, thematic curriculum to differentiate for their students.

Because this is a WORKshop designed for maximum productivity, the following ideas should be considered to enhance your benefit from this seminar:

1. Dress comfortably.
2. Bring a laptop with you. Each writing group will need a computer to complete the writing of the differentiated curriculum unit. Don't forget appropriate software for writing units, i.e., graphics, etc. If you do not have a computer to bring with you, you will be able to join a writing group where there is one available.
3. Bring available state, county, and/or local curriculum guidelines that focus on curriculum planning in your district, especially those for your grade level and/or content specialty. Copies of your state and/or local standards and outcomes are also necessary because each lesson strand will be aligned to a specific benchmark / standard. Most states have the standards available on your State Department of Education website. You may also access your state standards on the US map located on robertaylor.com.
4. Bring textbooks, supplemental materials, and special readings with you that you are unable to access on-line. If you are flying to the workshop, you may need to send your materials to the workshop location.
5. Bring the recommended books for writing curriculum listed on the attached "Recommended Books" page. You may order these books through robertaylor.com and they will be shipped directly to you.

6. If you are coming with a team and want to write with that team, brainstorm possible themes you want to teach next year and bring related literature and resources with you or bookmark them in your computer for use at the workshop. If you come alone to the workshop, Dr. Taylor will help match you up with a team of 3-4 other teachers with which to write the curriculum unit. Please encourage your principal and / or other instructional leaders to attend the seminar with you. Major changes in School Districts happen when administrators see the power of this model. And...administrators may attend for free.

7. You may wish to bring high protein snacks to give you energy and maintain creativity. The seminar will begin MONDAY with coffee and refreshments between 8-8:30 a.m. and continue to 3:30 p.m. with a lunch break. The hours for Tuesday through Friday will be 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. You will be given an assignment for each day. If your group completes the assignment before 5:00 p.m. you may leave the workshop site to pursue independent work, etc. (Lunch is on your own Monday-Friday.)

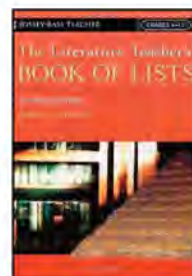
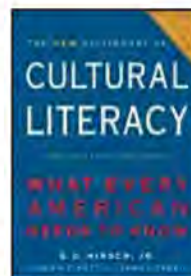
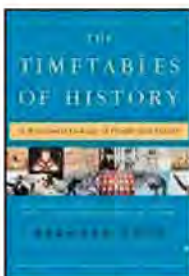
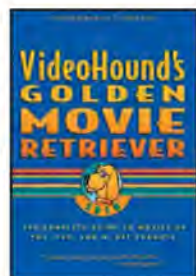
As part of the workshop you will receive a handbook that contains extensive information concerning differentiated curriculum, as well as a free User Name and Password to access Dr. Taylor's Web site of 8000 differentiated curriculum units until October 1, 2010. The following five books plus an **Online Subscription** for the **Green Book** are EXTREMELY HELPFUL when writing differentiated curriculum; however, they are not mandatory for you to purchase individually. Your school district may be able to purchase these resources for your use in the workshop. Only one set of books per writing team is needed. Your school library/learning center may already have these resources. If not, you can let us order and ship them directly to you. Please see the **Book Order Form** for more information.

1. [*The Timetables of History* \(the new 4th revised edition\) by Bernard Grun, Eva Simpson, Touchstone, 2005. ISBN 0-743-27003-7](#)
2. [*National Geographic Concise History of Science and Invention: An Illustrated Time Line* by Straight, S. \(editor\). 2009 ISBN 9781426205446](#)
3. [*The new dictionary of cultural literacy: What every American needs to know* \(revised and updated edition\) by Hirsch, E. D. Jr., Kett, J. F., & Trefil, J., Houghton Mifflin Company, 2002. ISBN 0-618-22647-8](#)
4. [*VideoHound's Golden Movie Retriever* 2010 Gale Group, ISBN 1414422183](#)
5. **Green Book of Songs by Subject: The Thematic Guide to Popular Music** is now online at www.greenbookofsongs.com It is a Database subscription service.
6. [*The Literature Teacher's Book of Lists* \(2nd Edition\) by Judy L. H. Strouf, Jossey-Bass, 2005. ISBN 0-7879-7550-8](#) (Additional Teacher's Book of Lists in other content areas can be found on [Dr. Taylor's Recommended Reading List](#).

[Taylor's Most Recommended Reading List, and Recommended Web Sites](#) contain additional resources that most teachers find helpful when designing differentiated curriculum.. Click on the links under **RESOURCES** on the menubar of the homepage at rogertaylor.com.

Recommended Books Order Form

Let us do the shopping for you! Save time and money - order a set of all 5 books and an online subscription to the Green Book of Songs by Subject



Contact Information:

Name: _____

Billing Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____

Zip Code: _____

Shipping Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____

Zip Code: _____

Position: _____

Home Email Address: _____

School Email Address: _____

Payment Information:

☐ Purchase Order #: _____

☐ Check #: _____

☐ Credit Card ☐ Visa ☐ MasterCard ☐ Discover

Credit Card #: _____

Expiration Date: _____

Security Code: (3 digit number) _____

Name on Credit Card: _____

Signature: _____

Return registration form with check payable to:

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Oak Brook, IL 60522

Recommended Books	Cost
I would like to purchase the following books:	
<input type="checkbox"/> Craddock, J. (2010). <i>VideoHound's Golden Movie Retriever</i> . Gale Group, 2010. (ISBN 9871414422183)	\$18.00 USD Plus \$3.20 S&H
<input type="checkbox"/> www.greenbookofsongs.com. The green book of songs by subject. The thematic guide to popular music. (No longer available in book form) This is a subscription to online access. You will receive a user name and password via email.	\$10.00 USD
<input type="checkbox"/> Grun, B. (2005). <i>The Timetables of History: A Horizontal Linkage of People and Events</i> . (4th revised edition). New York: Touchstone (ISBN 0743270037)	\$18.00 USD Plus \$3.20 S&H
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