

APEL Chair vacancy

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Hello Faculty,

The APEL Committee is looking for a new Chair to start in the Fall semester. This work involves meeting with students who express interest in applying for APEL credits. APEL is a small but important committee that grants students college credits for demonstrated and documented life and work experience that is equivalent to college-level learning. A faculty member with interest and experience with Applied Learning would be ideal.

"The program has faculty with knowledge of the area of the student's experience act as consultants in evaluating portfolios. Portfolios must demonstrate that what they learned from life or work experience was equivalent to College-level learning. A faculty committee makes the final determination of credits to be awarded."

Students interested in applying for APEL credits are typically referred to the APEL Chair, most often by the Registrar. A student meets with the chair of the APEL Committee to discuss their experience. The Chair listens to what they have done, asks questions, and then begins to think about the College Catalogue to identify a course (or courses) that the student would have gained college-level learning equivalent to that which they learned through life or work experience.

Students are required to develop a portfolio including a course-by-course description of how what they learned through life or work experience is equivalent to what they would have learned in the classroom. The student must also provide proof in the form of documentation (e.g., letters from former supervisors, certificates, etc.). Putting a portfolio together typically requires several meetings to help the student revise and resubmit a portfolio until it is ready to be sent to a faculty member or two in the relevant discipline/department. Students applying for APEL credit for business courses means the chair needs to find someone in the Business School to agree to

evaluate the portfolio and make a recommendation to the APEL Committee for the number of credits the faculty member thinks the student deserves. The Committee makes the final decision on how many credits to award a student; the chair communicates the final decision to the Registrar (Gerardo Espinal) and the student is awarded credit(s).

A list of APEL Committee members can be found in the attached APEL Manual. If you are interested in this role, please contact Kevin Ozgercin (ozgercin@oldwestbury.edu) who can connect you with the committee members and the committee members in order to discuss the role further.

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