

TASL Workshop II Summary

The second TASL workshop was held May 6, 2005 from 9:30 AM to 5:00 PM at Temple College. Twenty participants from thirteen college campuses across Texas attended the workshop. Participating colleges included Temple College, Panola College, South Texas College, North Central Texas College, Wharton County Junior College, Tomball College, North Harris College, Montgomery College, Ranger College, Del Mar College, St. Phillip's College, Central Texas College, and Paris Junior College.

Janice Anderson and Suzanne Morales, both current QEP Co-chairs for Central Texas College, were the featured presenters at the TASL Workshop II. Jan is Chair of the ESL Department and Suzanne is a full-time faculty member in Developmental Studies. Both women are former Faculty Senate presidents who, together, spearheaded and implemented a faculty-driven, comprehensive Faculty Professional Development Plan.

Suzanne and Jan were chosen to co-chair the process and production of a Quality Enhancement Plan for Central Texas College, a unique community college, with over 150 sites worldwide. Central Texas College's QEP was well received by the SACS-COC Visiting Team, and they have just completed the Visiting Team Response as part of CTC's reaffirmation process.

Ms. Anderson and Ms. Morales began their presentations with a review of the accountability movement in the U.S. After a lunch break and networking time, Dr. Pate reviewed the results of the pre-workshop questionnaires, which was followed by a question and answer session moderated by Ms. Anderson and Ms. Morales. The featured presenters continued with a discussion of SACS-COC assumptions and a comprehensive review of the strategies and processes Central Texas College used to develop a successful Quality Enhancement Plan. A final question and answer session ended the main presentations.

TASL Workshop II was concluded with the completion of the workshop evaluations and congratulations to the participants and presenters for their productive work during the day