

THE GREAT LAKES CONFERENCE

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Spring Arbor University

Great Lakes Conference - July 21 - 25, 2008

We want to thank you for your interest in the 16th annual Great Lakes Conference.
We feel we have obtained some of the countries finest consultants and
this promises to be a very exciting conference.

Some consultants may bring material for sale.
These will only be available on the day of their presentation. Come prepared to shop.

Cell phones are to be turned off or to vibrate during the conference.
Please be considerate of your fellow participants.

Some frequently asked questions:

Q. Can I register on-line and get an immediate receipt and email so I that know that I am registered?

A. Yes, [click here](#), to go to our on-line registration page to register and get an email receipt.

Q. When is the remainder of my registration due?

A. If you only made the deposit of \$100.00, the remainder, \$425.00, is due July 1, should be made [payable to Advantage Discipline](#), and [mailed to Advantage Discipline 1001 Medical Park Drive SE, Suite 213, Grand Rapids, MI 49546](#) Failure to pay the full registration by the due date, may forfeit your registration, as the class size is limited.

Q. May I pay by credit card?

A. Visa, MasterCard and Discover cards are accepted for full payment only.

Q. Is the information specific to students or can I apply it to my children at home also?

A. Our consultants provide information, understanding and techniques which apply to ALL age levels and to a wide range of situations both at school and at home.

Q. What is the course target audience?

A. The class is designed for educators who are working on advanced degrees or continuing education credit hours as well as other professionals such as social workers, psychologists, nurses and other professions who work with students of all ages.

Q. Is the class approved for CSWE continuing education credits for social workers?

A. Yes, Advantage Discipline is approved to offer classes for social worker continuing education credits? **The 5-day course earns 22.5 CSWE credit hours and course approval number is 052707-01.**

Q. What are the targeted social work practice levels?

A. The class is targeted for social workers who have obtained their BA or MSW degrees and are working with students of all age levels.

Q. Can my learning experience and assignments be completed during class hours?

A. Yes, but most participants find that the reaction questions take approximately 45 minutes per day of additional study time.

Q. What are the class requirements?

A. Participants will earn credit for attendance during all class hours and completing a daily six question reaction paper answering specific questions designed by that day's consultant, e.g., "Why is self-concept so important to school achievement?"

Q. Is Spring Arbor University an accredited school?

A. Spring Arbor University is accredited by the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools to confer degrees at the bachelor's and master's levels. The School of Education is accredited by the National Council for the Accreditation of Teacher Education, the Michigan Board of Education and the North American Division Board of Education.

Q. Is this course truly offered for graduate credit?

A. Yes. All Spring Arbor University's off campus graduate courses are numbered EDU 517. The name of the course differentiates each year's class.

Q. Is this credit applicable for teacher and administrative re-certification?

A. Yes.

Q. May I take the class for one or two credit hours?

A. No, the class is approved for three hours of graduate credit only.

Q. May I audit the class?

A. Yes, the cost for taking the class without credit is \$375.00. We will award you a certificate of participation. The fee for one day's participation is \$100.

Q. How can I obtain a receipt?

A. If you did not register on-line and receive an auto-email receipt, your receipts will be available at the conference desk during the conference.

Q. Where is the Northview Performing Arts Auditorium?

A. The directions to Northview High School Auditorium are:
I-96 (E/W) to the Plainfield exit. Take Plainfield north/east to Hunsburger St. (1 1/2 block N/E. of Meijers) and turn left or north. The auditorium is located approximately 1/2

mi. north on the left or west side of the street. Parking is in the back. The address is 4451 Hunsberger NE Grand Rapids, MI 49525.

Q. What is the cost of a hotel room?

A. The Radisson on Ann Street, 616-363-9001 or 800-333-3333, has offered a conference rate of \$89. Just mention the Great Lakes Conference to receive our special conference rates. This hotel is on the river and offers an excellent restaurant and other amenities including high speed Internet. For more information visit their website: www.radisson.com/grriverfront.

There are many other motels and hotels in the Grand Rapids area to accommodate your stay including the Amway Downtown 616-774-2000, the Holiday Inn Express on River Ridge Dr. NW 616-647-4100, the Baymont Inn & Suites, Holton Ct. NW 616-735-9595 and the Hampton Inn, I-96 at Alpine Avenue North Exit on Center Drive adjacent to Cracker Barrel and the Star Movie Theater address: Hampton Inn, 500 Center Drive Grand Rapids, MI 49544, Phone: 616 647-1000 or FAX 616 647-100, Website: www.hamptoninn.com/hi/grandrapids-north or www.hospitalityspecialists.net
Email: grrap_hapton@hilton.com.

Q. What are the class hours?

A. Class will be held from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. There will be appropriate breaks both morning and afternoon and an hour + for lunch.

Since people's comfort levels vary and it is difficult to adjust temperature in large conference rooms, it is advisable to bring a sweater or jacket to insure your comfort during the day.

Coffee and cookies will be served each morning at 8:00 a.m.

If you have any further questions please feel free to contact us.

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