T&D Professional Development Circle (PDC): Strategic Supervisors

1 TOPIC. 12 PARTICIPANTS. ALL 3 SESSIONS.*

- Session 1 of 3: Thursday, August 17, 10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.
- Session 2 of 3: Thursday, August 24, 10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.
- Session 3 of 3: Thursday, August 31, 10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

*By registering for Session 1 on Thursday, August 17, you are committing to attend all 3 sessions.

What is a Professional Development Circle (PDC)?
A PDC is a small, organized group of professionals bounded by a common interest in a topic and a commitment to learning and developing together. The goal of a T&D PDC is 3-fold:

1. Engage in deep learning and explore new perspectives around a specific topic relevant to your own professional development
2. Develop your knowledge base and professional capacities in ways that will enhance your performance and contribute to your organization
3. Meet and develop working relationships with people you would not normally interact with in your current role, thereby creating opportunities for communication and collaboration across the University

What is the focus of this quarter’s PDC?
Exploring your complex role as a supervisor at UGA, with an emphasis on self-assessment and growing a strategic mindset.

Who is the audience for this PDC?
UGA faculty or staff with supervisory authority and at least two years in a supervisory role, who has a desire to engage in discussion around the topic and a willingness to support the group’s learning.

The first 12 supervisors to register through T&D will make up this quarter’s PDC.

How is a PDC different from a typical T&D course?

- A deep dive into 1 topic over several sessions
- More conversation, less structure
- Circle members share responsibility for facilitation and direction of the group’s learning
- Circle develops into potential peer network after the experience
- Option to continue meeting and extend the PDC into the next quarter if mutual interest

Who is the host for this PDC?
This quarter’s PDC will be hosted by Vickie Coker, Senior Professional Development Leader in Training & Development.

For more information, to propose a topic, or to volunteer to host a PDC, please contact Training & Development at training@uga.edu or 706.542.7062.