

Overall FLEX Evaluation Summary – See Last Page for Common Themes

Total 29 Respondents.

1. Which FLEX activity that you attended will influence your work and/or you the most and why? Please include Workshop#FA12- and/or workshop title. Also, include why you found it influential to you or your work.
(22 answered question, 6 skipped the question)

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- All about the same...

2. Is there a workshop you would like to see repeated or expanded?

Yes, Repeated (12/42.9%) Yes, Expanded (10/35.7%) Not really (11/39.3%)

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- I usually present and will present again.

Health and Wellness

- FA12 -146 Based on the PDAC Health & Wellness component of professional development, it would be nice to something health related.

3. We now have one (1) day of Focused FLEX during FLEX week. This semester, Wednesday's FLEX activities focused on Program Review. Did you participate in the Survivor - Program Review activities? If yes, did you find them useful, and if not, why not?

Yes (12/41.4%) No (11/37.9%) Skipped Question (11/37.9%)



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- No comment

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Continued (16 responses)**

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- I'd like to hear more from LMC students and learn their perspective.
- more & varied collaborative activities

Miscellaneous

- none come to mind at the moment
 - I disagree with the concept of focused flex. Not everyone in the college wants/needs to focus on the same topic. This limits the days available to hold or attend other workshops that many will find more valuable.
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Miscellaneous

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- Pay attention to **evaluations**. If a presenter gets low marks--don't allow them to present again the following semester just because they submit a proposal.
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http://www.ebparks.org/parks/castle_rock
- **More** offerings during the semester.
- Provide (accept) workshops centered on the **creative** aspects of who we are.
- Focus on the above issues
- Repeat the fun **technology** piece Eloine Chapman & Debbie Smith gave

6) Any comments?

General Kudos

- I find flex very useful
- Thank you!
- Keep up the good work
- Focus on the above issues
- Thanks for the hard work :)
- Excellent workshops---low attendance...

Suggestions

- No
- I thought offerings were kind of skimpy this time--maybe because an unusual number of flexes were **cancelled**.
- Make flex time more uniform for planning purposes for adjuncts. We go from semesters when none is required to several hours (or more if we are teaching on waiver). Why does it differ every semester?
- **Opening day** could be handled much better. It seems to be a waste of a lot of time and talent to have so many people sitting and not participating for so long.
- I signed up for the power point flex in the second floor of the library at 6pm, but was unable to make it due to locked doors. When activities are scheduled in **locked rooms**, please make arrangements for people to get there!

7) Which employee group do you represent?

Classified	17.2%	5
Faculty	79.3%	23
Manager	3.4%	1
Student	0.0%	0

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