



GEORGE FOX UNIVERSITY

# COFLT Spring Conference 2008

## **“On the Road to Functional Proficiency: A K-16 Effort”**

**George Fox University, Newberg, Oregon  
March 1, 2008**

**1:00-1:40 OATG Summit II** (Four presentation at 10 minutes each)

**A. The State of German at Oregon's High Schools and Colleges/Universities**

Presenter: Christian P. Stehr, Oregon State University

*One of the main arguments made to justify closing down many language programs at high schools throughout Oregon over the last decade was that the Oregon University System institutions (all larger than any given high school) would continue to carry on the diversity in language offerings. That expectation, unfortunately, is no longer a reasonable one and German, in particular, is under assault at our state institutions of higher learning.*

**B. "Zertifikat Deutsch" now available in Oregon**

Presenter: Matthias Vogel, University of Oregon

*UO first and second-year German language programs supervisor who tests for the Zertifikat Deutsch at the end of the third year, will talk about the ZD exam, the curriculum and the fact that ALL students can take it at the UO now (including OSU, Western, Southern, etc. students as well as high school students).*

**C. How Can Post-Secondary Help Struggling High-School German Programs?**

Presenter: William B. Fischer, Portland State University

*For several years German faculty and grad students at PSU have been exploring outreach to endangered high-school German programs through use of technology such as two-way video connecting sufficient students, at several schools, to make upper-level high-school programs viable while the in-building teacher concentrates on maintaining and building program in German 1 & 2. The session presents about 10 features that have been considered, such as relation to curriculum standards, integration with the second-year college/university curriculum, and financial support. Session attendees will be asked to comment on the project.*

**D. German Teaching Resources in the Northwest.**

Presenter: Blake Peters, Head of School, German American School of Portland

*Come hear about new developments, materials and people in and around the Pacific Northwest. Blake Peters, AATG Northwest Regional Representative, will share and lead this information and discussion session on supporting and enriching German classrooms in all learning levels.*

**1:45-2:10 Advanced Placement Language Teaching: Rigor, Vigor and Fun**

Presenter: Linda Bahr, Roseburg High School

*With the College Board's new AP® audit and the nationwide emphasis on encouraging greater numbers of AP® students without lowering standards, language teachers have a challenge to meet the high standards without sacrificing personal teaching styles and passions. Examples in English and German.*

**2:10 – 2:15 Visit Exhibits**