



Career Resilience: Stories, Adaptability and Success

"When the music changes, you have to change the dance..."

Arizona Career Development Association Annual Conference

Friday, January 6, 2012

Rio Salado Conference Center, Tempe, AZ

Co-sponsored by Rio Salado College and the Maricopa Community Colleges

This engaging, interactive conference is for career development professionals and academic advisors in colleges, workforce development centers, K-12 schools, private businesses and all others who help to guide the decisions and direction of Arizona's career seekers. Registration is \$55 for ACDA members; \$75 for Non-members (includes ACDA membership).

Conference Schedule:

- 8:00 AM Registration and Coffee Hour
- 9:00 AM Welcome and Introductions
- 9:15 AM Networking Icebreaker - Getting to Know Your Fellow Career Professionals (with prizes!)
- 9:45 AM Break
- 10:00 AM **Constructing Careers in the Digital Age** with Dr. Mark Savickas
The narrative approach to career counseling enables clients to *fit work into their lives*, rather than fit themselves to jobs. Looking at lives as novels being written focuses attention on the themes that activate individuals. Dr. Savickas will discuss the challenges that our clients face in the ever-changing digital age, and how the narrative models & methods that emphasize life design rather than occupational choice can create career resiliency.
- 11:45 AM Meet Your Lunch: The Sustainable Food Program at Rio Salado College
- 12:00 PM Lunch Buffet and Networking
- 1:00 PM **Employment Outlook and the Voice of the Recruiter**
Theresa Maher, Vice President of Media at Jobing & Editor of *Recruiting News*
- 1:30 PM **Live Narrative Counseling Demonstration** with Dr. Mark Savickas
In an impactful and eye-opening live conversation, Dr. Savickas demonstrates practical techniques for using stories and articulating life themes to encourage educational and career decision making. We will learn how to integrate these techniques into our own practices and may even use the techniques to better understand why we chose our career paths and how our occupations allow us to advance our own life stories.
- 3:00 PM Break
- 3:15 PM **Table Topics: Best Practices Discussion**
Email your suggestions for discussion topics to Kerry Sanderson at sanderson@gatewaycc.edu
- 4:00 PM *Thank you for joining us!*

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