



# Academic Standards in Diverse Classrooms:

Strengthening Oral Language, Listening,  
and Interaction Across Disciplines



**Saturday, November 1, 2014 | 8:30 AM – 3:30 PM**

**Location:** West Allis/West Milwaukee Admin Building, 1205 S. 70<sup>th</sup> St., West Allis, WI 53214 (Rm 710)



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State Standards require students to do more with knowledge and language than ever before. Rather than be mere consumers of knowledge, students must now become creators, critics, and communicators of ideas across disciplines.

This institute will focus on improving our practices for developing language and literacy skills across grade levels and disciplines; using complex texts and fostering academic interaction. Participants will engage in activities that show how to fortify students' oral output, improve their listening, and foster student-to-student interactions that focus on complex content understandings in diverse classrooms. Handouts will include tools and links to online resources.

**Jeff Zwiers** is a senior researcher at the Stanford Graduate School of Education. He supports the Understanding Language Initiative and co-directs the Academic Language Development Network, a research and professional development project focused on the education of academic English learners. He has taught teacher education courses at

Stanford and consulted for national and international teacher development projects that promote literacy, lesson development, and formative assessment practices. He has published articles and books on literacy, cognition, discourse, and academic language. His most recent book is *Common Core Standards in Diverse Classrooms: Essential Practices for Developing Academic Language and Disciplinary Literacy*. His current research focuses on classroom practices that foster academic interactions and improving professional development.

**Registration Fee:**  
\$125.00

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