



Call for Volunteers for Focus Groups

Submission Deadline: February 27, 2009

IDEC Academy would like to obtain information about the transition from interior design practice to education from two groups of people:

1. Practitioners who are interested in becoming educators. We would like to know what information is believed to be most needed to facilitate the transition to academia. Participants could come from professional organizations, alumni and Advisory Boards.
2. New Interior design educators who have 5 years or less teaching experience and were practitioners before entering education. We want to find out what would have been useful to know about teaching and academia before becoming educators.

If you are in either of these groups or know someone who is and would be willing to participate in a short focus group please contact:

Practitioners: Ron Reed, University of North Texas, Ronald.Reed@unt.edu

New Educators: Bridget May, Marymount University, Bridget.May@marymount.edu

Conference calls will be scheduled during the first two weeks of March, and participants may choose the time and day most convenient for them.

Please send names and contact information by **February 27, 2009**.