Gender Equity Project Sponsorship Program  
Spring 2005 Workshop # 4  

Equality in Personal Relationships  
May 18, 2005  

Agenda

1:00 – 2:55 pm  
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1:00 – 1:45  
Presentation and Discussion: Professor Laurel Eckhardt will share personal experiences and discuss strategies for effective negotiation and establishing equality in personal relationships.

Think about an occasion where you and your partner successfully worked together to solve a problem you were having.

- How did you move beyond conflict or disagreement?
- How did you address your partner’s concerns and interests?
- How did you reach a compromise?

1:45 – 2:00  
Activity 1: Read the assigned scenario and discuss the negotiation with the entire group. Once the group has decided on the best plan of action, choose two people to act out the negotiation for the entire workshop.

Scenario 1: Possible relocation for partner’s job  
Scenario 2: Both partners have big work projects at the same time  
Scenario 3: Finding child care

2:00 – 2:45  
Role play: 5 minutes for role play and 10 minutes of discussion for each scenario

After each group has performed its role-play, we will all discuss the strengths and weaknesses of the group’s plan of action, the main character’s argument, and the overall success of each group’s negotiation tactics.

2:45 – 2:55  
Workshop Evaluation: Complete part I before leaving