The APU Faculty Writers’ Retreats

Each year all full-time faculty are invited to participate in one of the two APU Writers’ Retreats, held in May and July at the Serra Franciscan Retreat Center in Malibu. It is an opportunity to devote four days (three nights) to writing projects that will result in published work. The retreats are made possible by the generous vision of the Provost, and are administered by the Office of Research and Grants.

Those who wish to attend will respond in a timely way to the annual announcement, issued in early February, of the dates of the retreats. Twenty-five places are reserved for each retreat; the places are usually filled within 48 hours. Respondents provide a brief summary of what their writing project for the retreat will be, and agree to report progress on the project in the coming year.

Five of the places for each of the two retreats are set aside by the Provost for “emerging scholars”—that is, those who are new faculty at APU, or have recently earned the Ph.D., or are new to researching and writing.

Many of the faculty who attend the retreats consider them to be a highlight of their APU experience, and express deep gratitude for the opportunity.

For more information, please contact the Office of Research and Grants.