



**Dr. John A. Carpenter**

2012 – 2015 Gladys Williams Wolf Endowed Teaching Chair in Communications

As the recipient of the Gladys Williams Wolf Endowed Teaching Chair in Communications, **Dr. John A. Carpenter**, Associate Professor, English Communication and Modern Languages Department, established an institute to engage instructors throughout the College in the development of assignments that improve critical thinking in students, particularly the ability to apply observation, analyzing, reasoning and evaluation to problem solving. Participating faculty members created assessment tools to evaluate the effectiveness of the program and measure student success.

Dr. Carpenter joined IRSC in 2008. He received his Associate in Arts Degree from Valencia Community College, Bachelor and Master's Degrees from the University of Central Florida, Master of Library and Information Science Degree from the University of South Carolina, as well as his Doctor of Philosophy degree, where he focused on British Literature from the Medieval and Renaissance periods.