Millersville University CENTER FOR ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE

Professional Development Sessions Fall 2014

Types of CAE Sessions

The Center for Academic Excellence offers many different types of programs throughout the academic year. We are always looking for new topic suggestions and presenters. Please contact Dr. Oliver Dreon, Director of the Center for Academic Excellence (oliver.dreon@millersville.edu) if you have any recommendations.

Brown Bag Discussions

The Center occasionally hosts an informal Brown Bag Discussion. Faculty are invited to join their colleagues in the McNairy Library and Learning Forum (or another location), bring a lunch, and participate in a discussion about a topic of interest. These discussions may focus on general topics such as curriculum approval processes, learner-centered teaching, or grant opportunities. At other times, one or more faculty members may be invited to lead the discussion about a topic that may be controversial or cutting edge. We make every effort to invite discussion leaders who represent various viewpoints, including content experts, those with opposing viewpoints, and even faculty who are just beginning to examine the topic. The conversations at Brown Bag Discussions are informal, dynamic, and informative. This is a great way to meet new colleagues and learn about a variety of topics.

Instructional Technology Workshops & Sessions

The Instructional & Technology Support Team offers a large number of hands-on workshops throughout the academic year to help faculty members develop their skills and expertise with various online tools and resources. In addition to helping to promote these workshops, the Center for Academic Excellence offers new sessions to help faculty see how their colleagues in other Departments are using these tools and techniques. These application-oriented sessions are a great way to see how these important tools and resources can be used to enhance the teaching and learning process in many different settings.

Monday Morning Mentors

Monday Morning Mentors are online sessions offered through the Teaching Professor. Monday Morning Mentors can be accessed Mondays at 10 AM but are available on demand for a week after the published date. Mentors can be accessed online at: http://9nl.pw/MUMentors2014

Open Forums

Open Forums are offered to provide opportunities to engage faculty and staff in conversations on issues related to teaching and learning at Millersville. Open Forums are usually facilitated by a leader but are designed to organically develop from the input and knowledge base of attendees.

Want to receive periodic updates on CAE happenings? Opt into the CAE email distribution list at: http://tinyurl.com/CAEemails

September

September 1, 2014 On demand at http://9nl.pw/MUMentors2014	Monday Morning Mentor: How Do I Include Introverts in Class Discussions? Nicki Monahan, M.Ed. Faculty Advisor in Staff and Organizational Development, George Brown College How do you handle that student who never contributes to class discussions? Or what about the student who barely responds, even when asked a direct question? Learn how you can support quiet students in your classroom and help stretch their comfort zones.
September 15, 2014 On demand at http://9nl.pw/MUMentors2014	Monday Morning Mentor: How Can I Enhance Students' Self-Regulated Learning Skills? Director, Office of Teaching Effectiveness and Innovation, Clemson University Thinking about how one thinks, or metacognition, is not a practice that comes readily to most new college and university students. But the sooner they develop their skill at self-monitoring their learning processes, the more successful and rewarding their educational experience will be. In this session, you'll learn the three stages of self- regulated learning plus specific and real-world-tested techniques you can use to encourage student self-monitoring, self-testing, and self- evaluation.
September 15, 2014 3:00 -4:00 PM ^{McNairy 502}	Tools and Tips for Communicating with Today's Students Dr. Oliver Dreon, Director of the Center for Academic Excellence Want to keep your students updated on class assignments and news? Learn about some simple tricks and tools that can help your students stay on top of their work.
September 22, 2014 On demand at http://9nl.pw/MUMentors2014	Monday Morning Mentor: How Can I Structure a Flipped Lesson? Dr. Barbi Honeycutt, Director of Graduate Professional Development and Teaching Programs, NC State University There's more to the flip than just telling students to complete the work before class and then turning them loose when they arrive in the classroom. In this session, you'll learn how to implement a classroom- tested, four-part flipping structure that works across disciplines.
September 23, 2014 3:00 -4:00 PM ^{Boyer 235}	Supporting Sustainability: Creating PDFs with Acrobat Pro Mr. Albert Unrath, Instructional Designer Adobe Acrobat is not just for viewing PDF files. Learn how to get the most out of Adobe Acrobat "Reader" for yourself and your students. Move from a consumer of PDF files to a creator of PDF documents using Acrobat "Pro." Learn how to modify a PDF file to add pages, delete pages, and even merge PDF files from multiple sources. Work more efficiently with commenting features on student papers, links, and attaching files inside a PDF file from MS Office and other programs.

September 26, 2014 9:30 AM – 2:30 PM University Room	Supporting Sustainability: Becoming a Paperless Campus Session Facilitators: Dr. Oliver Dreon, Director, Center for Academic Excellence Ms. Marie Firestone, Instructional Support Specialist Learn from colleagues across campus who have moved to paper-free assignments with students and paper-free workflows in their classrooms. Note: Lunch is provided. RSVP to alwarren@millersville.edu by
September 29, 2014 On demand at http://9nl.pw/MUMentors2014	September 15, 2014. Monday Morning Mentor:
	What Do Students Want in Online Courses? Jill Schiefelbein, Owner and Guru, Impromptu Guru As an educator, you know asking the right questions can be just as important as getting the right answers. This is particularly important when it comes to designing for the online student. In this session, you'll find out how you can create a better online course experience. This pointed and practical session will show you how to meet online students' desires without sacrificing your standards.
September 30, 2014 2:30 – 4:00 PM _{McNairy 118}	Promotion & Tenure Session Discussion Facilitator: Dr. Oliver Dreon, Director, Center for Academic Excellence Hear perspectives from a Provost, a Dean, a Department Chairperson, the MU APSCUF President, former Promotion Committee members, and recently promoted faculty members. The promotion guidelines will be distributed and discussed at this session.

October

October 6, 2014 On demand at	Monday Morning Mentor:
	Linking, Embedding & Streaming: What's Legal?
	What's Not?
	Dr. Linda Enghagen, Professor in the Isenberg School of
	Management at the University of Massachusetts
http://9nl.pw/MUMentors2014	In this session, learn how copyright law applies to the use of digital
	media online. Is it better to link, embed or stream content in your
	course shell? This session will examine the legal aspects at play with
	this decision.
October 6, 2014 12:00 – 1:00 PM ^{McNairy 106}	What do we know about our students?
	Examining the MU Freshman Survey
	Mr. Brian Hazlett, Vice President for Enrollment Management
	Dr. Lisa Shibley, Assistant Vice President, Institutional
	Assessment & Planning
	In this session, we will discuss highlights from The CIRP Freshmen
	Survey given to almost 900 Millersville freshmen during fall orientation
	and examine how this snapshot of our first year students may impact
	classroom instruction. The portrait includes perceptions of high school
	behaviors, academic preparedness, expectations of college,
	interactions with peers and faculty, and student goals.

October 13, 2014 On demand at http://9nl.pw/MUMentors2014	Monday Morning Mentor: What art 5 FAQs About Faculty Roles in the Flipped Class?
	Dr. Barbi Honeycutt, Director of Graduate Professional Development and Teaching Programs, NC State University Sarah Egan Warren, Education & Training Director of Reify Media If you're thinking about flipping your class, you may have a few questions. It's new teaching territory for a lot of faculty, so it's understandable you'd want more information before you embark on a new approach that reverses the traditional way classes are designed. For starters, you are probably wondering when, where, and how to begin. And if you're not going to lecture, what should you do instead? Should you flip everything? Or is that too much? In this session, we discuss the common questions they've been asked by faculty across the country.
	Monday Morning Mentor:
October 20, 2014 On demand at http://9nl.pw/MUMentors2014	What Does Copyright Ownership Mean to Me? Dr. Linda Enghagen, Professor in the Isenberg School of Management at the University of Massachusetts In this session, Dr. Enghagen explores how copyright law impacts our work in academia, both as scholars and as educators.
October 20, 2014 12:00 – 1:00 PM McNairy 106	Make Smart Choices?What Choices Are MU Students Really Making? A Review of the MU College Health Survey Ms. Jayme Trogus, Director, The Center for Health Education & Promotion Dr. Julie Lombardi, Associate Professor, Wellness & Sports Sciences The session will describe the current health behaviors of Millersville University students collected through the American College Health Association – National College Health Assessment (ACHA-NCHA) survey administered during the fall 2013 semester. Learn how the MU Social Norms Committee uses this data to help students make smart choices about their health behaviors.
October 24, 2014 9:30 AM – 2:30 PM University Room	FlipU: A Flipped Classroom Workshop Session Facilitators: Dr. Jeff Adams, Associate Provost for Academic Administration Dr. Oliver Dreon, Director, Center for Academic Excellence Ms. Marie Firestone, Instructional Support Specialist Mr. Greg Szczyrbak, Learning Technologies Librarians Thinking about flipping your classroom? In this workshop, we will provide some of the background to get started with "flipping your classroom" and incorporating active learning strategies in classroom instruction. Note: Lunch is provided. RSVP to alwarren@millersville.edu by October 6, 2014.

October 27, 2014 On demand at http://9nl.pw/MUMentors2014	Monday Morning Mentor:
	What Happens to Learning when Students
	Multitask?
	Dr. Maryellen Weimer, Professor Emeritus, Penn State Berks In this session, Dr. Weimer examines the educational implications for students who attempt to multitask. She will detail data on the impact of multitasking on student attention and learning.
	What is MU Video and How Can I Use It With My
Ostakan 20, 2014	Students?
October 28, 2014 3:00 – 4:00 PM Boyer 235	Dr. Oliver Dreon, Director, Center for Academic Excellence Ms. Marie Firestone, Instructional Support Specialist Did you know that Millersville has it's own YouTube? Learn about MU's new streaming web server, MUVideo, and how the tool can be used to
	support classroom projects and activities.
	Supporting Students with Autism and Their
	Professors in a University Learning Community.
October 30, 2014 12:00 – 1:00 PM McNairy 106	Dr. Thomas Neuville, Associate Professor, Educational Foundations
	Each year, more information about the college experiences of those on the autism spectrum is written by their parents, professionals and these students on the autism spectrum. Intellectually these students are often very bright but many may face a variety of "hidden challenges" that can undermine their ability to navigate a typical college campus and perform well in class. This workshop will discuss some of the challenges and possible academic supports for students on the autism spectrum. We will also rely on participants to contribute strategies and challenges as we work together to implement supports and services for the university the student and faculty.

November

November 3, 2014 On demand at http://9nl.pw/MUMentors2014	Monday Morning Mentor: How Can I Enhance the Impact of Feedback in Online Classes? B. Jean Mandernach, Ph.D. Research Professor and Director of the Center for Innovation in Research and Teaching, Grand Canyon University When it comes to helping online students learn, few practices pack the pedagogical punch of quality online feedback. Don't you wish your students understood that? Too many students think of feedback in terms of grading, and they miss out on the educational benefits of following up on their assignments. Find out how different feedback strategies can grab students' attention.
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	Teaching with A Smart Classroom
November 4, 2014 3:00 – 4:00 PM ^{Stayer 202}	Mr. Joshua Fleming, Instructional Technologist
	Ditch those static lessons. Make presentations dynamic. SMART
	technology can augment your pre-existing lecture material by allowing for digital annotation and manipulation to further student
	success.
	Monday Morning Mentor:
	How Can I Make My Course Content More
	Accessible?
	Dr. Elizabeth Harrison, Director, Office of Learning Resources,
November 10, 2014	University of Dayton
On demand at	Presentation and acquisition of information is at the heart of higher education. You may know that it's your responsibility to make sure all
http://9nl.pw/MUMentors2014	your students have an equitable opportunity to participate in this
	learning exchange. But your assumptions about how students should
	access information could create barriers to learning. In this session, we explore a conceptual and practical approach to working with students
	with disabilities. You'll enhance your awareness of the drawbacks
	inherent in the most common ways of presenting course content and learn specific techniques for making material more accessible.
	Engaging Students with iClickers
November 12, 2014	Mr. Joshua Fleming, Instructional Technologist
12:00 – 1:00 PM	Formative assessment and active learning are more than buzz words.
McNairy 106	Attendees of this session will learn how to leverage iClickers to create a more engaging and successful classroom experience.
	Monday Morning Mentor:
	What is Storyboarding? And How Can It Help Me
November 17, 2014	Flip My Class?
On demand at	Sarah Egan Warren, Education & Training Director of Reify Media
http://9nl.pw/MUMentors2014	Wondering how to get started with flipping your classroom? In this
	session, you'll learn how storyboarding can be used to better plan flipped lessons to enhance learning and foster more student
	interaction.
	Monday Morning Mentor:
	What Are Five Tips for Writing Effective Learning
	Outcomes?
	Linda Suskie, former Vice President at the Middle States
November 24, 2014 On demand at http://9nl.pw/MUMentors2014	Commission on Higher Education and author of Assessing Student Learning: A Common Sense Guide.
	Whether you call them learning outcomes, learning objectives,
	learning competencies, or learning goals, developing a clear
	understanding of where you want your course to go and what you want your students to get out of it is an essential first step for faculty.
	In a clear and down-to-earth style, Suskie will guide you through the
	steps involved in creating learning goals that are both inspirational
	and informative. You'll learn how to craft "Goldilocks learning outcomes"—learning objectives that are neither too specific nor too
	broad

December

December 1, 2014	Monday Morning Mentor:
	How Can I Design Copyright Compliant Online
	Courses?
	Dr. Linda Enghagen, Professor in the Isenberg School of
On demand at	Management at the University of Massachusetts
http://9nl.pw/MUMentors2014	Designing online courses can present unique copyright challenges for instructors. In this session, you will learn how copyright laws apply to
	the use of digital media and educational content in online learning
	environments and how to design online activities that are compliant to
	the laws.
	Monday Morning Mentor:
December 8, 2014 On demand at http://9nl.pw/MUMentors2014	Where Can I Find Flippable Moments in My
	Classes?
	Dr. Barbi Honeycutt, Director of Graduate Professional
	Development and Teaching Programs, NC State University
	Not all course content is easy to flip. In this session, we examine ways
	to recognize "flappable" content and how best to structure flipped
	lessons that foster student learning and engagement.