

Faculty Center for Teaching and Learning

April 2009

SoTL Showcase

At our annual Faculty Showcase of Creative Teaching practices and SoTL Research, we allow UCF faculty a chance to share their SoTL projects that have been completed, are in progress, or are planned, as well as display posters that share teaching practices. Please go to Research and Scholarship in the top menu bar and select SoTL for more information.

April 1, 12:00 – 3:00

Featured Workshops

Building a Grade Book Using MS Excel

Together we will walk through a grade book template and customize it to your syllabus. Please bring your syllabus with a breakdown of your scoring policy.

April 15, 9:00 – 10:00

April 22, 1:00 – 2:00

CCLI Proposal Workshop Series

The goal of these workshops is to familiarize participants with the entire proposal development, writing, budgeting, and submission process and to have authentic guided experience speaking with NSF directors and UCF proposal administrators. Jo Smith, Ph.D. will guide the workshop series with additional guest speakers on specialty topics. Workshops will be held Thursdays for six weeks, beginning March 26th from 12 to 1:30. Limited seating: to reserve a seat and register, please send an email to Mary Tripp at mtripp@mail.ucf.edu with CCLI workshop in the subject line.

April 2, 12:00 – 1:30

April 9, 12:00 – 1:30

April 16, 12:00 – 1:30

April 23, 12:00 – 1:30

April 30, 12:00 – 1:30

Teaching Circles

Teaching Circles provide opportunities to come together to brainstorm teaching ideas and mentor each other as we implement the ideas in our classrooms. Drop in when you have time.

Contemplative Education

April 1, 2:00 – 3:30

April 15, 2:00 – 3:30

April 29, 2:00 – 3:30

Honors Teaching Circle

April 7, 12:00 – 1:30

April 8, 1:00 – 2:30

Getting Your SoTL Research Published: An Editor's Perspective

You will receive tips on preparing your SoTL research and manuscripts for publication in journals that specialize in educational research and SoTL.

April 2, 2:00 – 3:30

Internationalization Consultations

Faculty are invited to drop by for discussions about study abroad or internationalizing their courses and programs. We'll discuss teaching ideas and mentor each other as we implement the ideas in our classrooms.

April 8, 9:00 – 10:30



RiverWebs: Movie Night at the Faculty Center

You are invited to a one-hour screening followed by discussion. Popcorn and sodas will be served. Please RSVP emain@mail.ucf.edu RiverWebs takes a close look at an international group of river ecologists who share a story of tragedy, growth, and recovery. Across Eastern and Western cultures, this unlikely circle of friends shows us a very human side of science, while demonstrating how the process of discovery works. The inspiring lives and experiences of these scientists build a rich story of hope and interconnectedness, while providing a personal window through which to view rivers, ecology, and conservation. Running Time: 57 min.

April 9, 5:00 – 7:00
 April 15, 5:00 – 7:00

Online Final Grade Submission Demonstration

Instructors now must record end-of-term final grades online through myUCF, in the form of an “online bubble form” or Excel file upload. This workshop provides step by step guidance in the process. This workshop provides step by step guidance in the process. Those who cannot make our workshop may wish to consult our online tutorial about the process: <http://www.ftl.ucf.edu/TeachingAndLearningResources/Technology/Grades>

April 17, 1:30 – 2:00
 April 17, 2:30 – 3:00
 April 20, 3:30 – 4:00
 April 21, 9:00 – 9:30
 April 23, 1:30 – 2:00
 April 24, 11:30 – 12:00
 April 27, 10:30 – 11:00
 April 27, 12:30 – 1:00
 April 27, 2:30 – 3:00

Online Grading Drop-In “Live-Assistance” Labs

You can perform the upload of your actual grades with our help; bring your gradebook with you! If your grades are stored in Webcourses or myUCF Grades, we can access them from our office. Plan on a 10-15 minute visit. RSVPs are not necessary.

April 28, 8:00 – 3:00
 April 29, 8:00 – 5:00
 April 30, 8:00 – 5:00

Publishing your SoTL Article

Professor Liz Grauerholz (Sociology) will speak from an editor’s perspective about what it takes to publish successfully in SoTL journals. She reveals the common mistakes authors make as well as characteristics of successful manuscripts.

April 3, 1:30 – 2:30

Reduce Stress by “Resetting” your Breathing

Breathing profoundly affects our nervous / emotional, cardiovascular, respiratory, digestive, and muscular systems. We have a chance every day to reset our subconscious breathing. We invite you to come and rediscover your own unique breath and enhance your health, concentration, efficiency, and ability to deal with today’s stressful situations. You may wish to bring a mat or other item to lie down on and a small, thick pillow and/or a blanket. Due to the nature of this session and somewhat limited space, we kindly urge you to RSVP.

April 1, 4:00 – 5:00

Student Evaluations Are Coming

Using the current form, we will explore what forms of results analysis are the most helpful. We will also explore the future forms to gather your input on proposed analyses.

April 20, 1:30 – 2:30

Teaching in Second Life

Interested in jumping into Second Life, but not sure where to begin? We’ll not only show you what Second Life is and how to start, we’ll also steer the conversation to some ready-to-go applications and strategies to augment your classes with a virtual world presence.

April 13, 11:30 – 12:30

Team Testing

Experience the use of team testing for immediate feedback and improved learning. This strategy is effective for large and small classes and all content areas. The workshop will focus on face-to-face testing but can also be used for online testing.

April 14, 1:30 – 2:30



Here's what's happening this month at the Faculty Center for Teaching and Learning.
Make plans to join us!

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