

FOCUS on STUDENT LEARNING (FOSL)



Spring 2015

FOSL's are monthly discussions on a variety of topics related to student learning. Repeat sessions are offered on different days and times to accommodate busy schedules. All sessions are recorded and available for checkout for those who wish to view them at a later time. Ask for "FOSL Reserves" at the Scarborough Library Public Services Desk. For more information visit www.shepherd.edu/ctl or call 304-876-5461. Sponsored by The Center for Teaching & Learning.

All sessions are held in **Byrd Center for Legislative Studies Multipurpose Room**

LUNCH PROVIDED!

January

26th Monday – 12:10-1:00pm

27th Tuesday – 12:35-1:25pm

Great Teachers Seminar – Join the Fun!

In June 2014, Shepherd faculty member Yildiz Nuredinoski attended the 22nd annual WV Great Teachers Seminar. Join us to learn more about her experience and how you can attend in 2015!

February

16th Monday – 12:10-1:00pm

17th Tuesday – 12:35 -1:25pm

Stressed Out About "Writing in the Major" Courses? We Can Help!

In this presentation, faculty members and writing experts TC Williams, Christy Wenger, and Yildiz Nuredinoski will provide "non-writing" teachers with tips and tricks of the trade in order to help make the writing instruction and grading process more efficient and less stressful. After all, you have enough to do just teaching the course content! Join us to learn about some quick and effective measures of writing assessment and so much more!

March

2nd Monday – 12:10-1:00pm

3rd Tuesday – 12:35-1:25pm

Teaching So Everyone Learns: Using Universal Design for Learning in the College Classroom

In this interactive presentation, Assoc. Professor of Education, Dr. Belinda Mitchell will define Universal Design for Learning (UDL) and explain why UDL is important for college students and professors in the 21st century. Using a hands-on workshop approach, the main focus of the presentation will be to inform participants of ways they can incorporate UDL into their classrooms to engage students and promote success for all. Participants will also have an opportunity to brainstorm ways that they could use UDL in their classrooms.

30th Monday – 12:10-1:00pm

31th Tuesday – 12:35-1:25pm

April 1st Wednesday – 12:10-1:00pm

The 9th Annual Celebration of Student Learning (3 days!)

The Center for Teaching & Learning awarded more than \$10,000 in grants this year! Learn how your colleagues utilized funding from CTL mini-grants to enhance student learning and program development. Discover how you or your department/academic support unit can apply for up to \$1000 in grant funding in the next academic year. Refreshments will be provided. Come celebrate!

April

13th Monday – 12:10-1:00pm

14th Tuesday – 12:35-1:25pm

Does Managing Group Work Drive You Nuts? Try this Free Online Tool that's Getting Rave Reviews!

Learn about CATME SMARTER Teamwork, a new tech tool that prepares students to function effectively in teams and supports faculty as they manage their students' team experiences. CATME tools help students succeed in their class-related team experiences and develop one of the skills that employers value most: the ability to work effectively in teams.