

THIS WEEK IN THE TEACHING CENTER

Monday, January 26 to Friday, January 30, 2009

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Monday 11 to 4 • Tuesday 11 to 4 • Wednesday 11 to 5 • Thursday 11 to 5 • Friday 11 to 4

Please Join Us for the Following Events This Week:

Tuesday, January 27

3:35 to 4:30

Situational factors that shape your class and articulating learning goals using Fink's taxonomy of significant learning from the Teaching Center's Teacher-in-Residence Workshop Series *Designing Courses to Create Significant Learning Experiences*, a Faculty Learning Certificate Workshop

This is the first session of a five part series The Teaching Center is offering to assist faculty in incorporating Dee Fink's concepts of integrated course design to increase significant learning into their courses. Participants do not have to have attended Fink's workshop during Professional Development Week, but they are encouraged to attend the entire series, as each session builds on the last. Facilitator Lisa Handler will lead the workshops and participation in each series is limited to 10 faculty members. To register for either series (the workshops are repeated on Wednesdays) email Lisa at lhandler@ccp.edu.

Contact Person: Lisa Handler at lhandler@ccp.edu

Wednesday, January 28

2:30 to 3:25

Situational factors that shape your class and articulating learning goals using Fink's taxonomy of significant learning
See Description Above

4:30 to 5:30

Session I: Handling Issues in the Classroom Discussion Forum from the series *From Teaching Techniques to Learning Tools: Transforming Traditional Classroom Activities for the 21st Century*, a Faculty Learning Certificate Workshop (Note: Faculty are not required to attend all 4 sessions in the series; however, those who do will receive a certificate of completion.)

This forum is designed to bring instructors together for an open discussion about handling difficult situations in the classroom. Topics such as arriving late to class, the unprepared student and excuses (to name a few) will be discussed. Come and share how you handle difficult situations.

The workshop will be repeated tomorrow; faculty may attend either session.

Contact Person: Fran Lukacik at flukacik@ccp.edu or Melissa St. Pierre at mstpierre@ccp.edu

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Thursday, January 29th

- 12:30 to 1:30 **New Teaching Circle: Group Projects and Activities**
In response to faculty interest in continuing last semester's successful "Designing Group Projects to Increase Student Involvement" series, the Teaching Center is forming a new inter-disciplinary teaching circle focused on developing and implementing group activities in the classroom. Faculty members are encouraged to bring current or potential group projects to the circle for discussion and critique. The first session's topic is *Overcoming Resistance to Group Work*. The circle will meet the last Thursday of every month in the Teaching Center.
Contact Person: Rick Frei at rfrei@ccp.edu
- 2:00 to 3:00 **Handling Issues in the Classroom Discussion Forum**
See Description on page 1
- 3:30 to 5:00 **New Faculty Orientation** Open to all new full- and part-time faculty only
This session includes a discussion on teaching online with Fran Lukacik (Allied Health) and time for participants to share ideas on classroom practices, challenges, and tips.
Contact Person: Susan Tobia, stobia@ccp.edu, x8356

CALLING ALL VOLUNTEERS!

We are looking for faculty volunteers to staff the Teaching Center Help Desk for one hour per week. Basic duties include greeting faculty and facilitating discussion, assisting faculty in setting up workshops, answering the telephone, and keeping attendance records for events. It's a great opportunity for new faculty to meet others from different disciplines. For more "seasoned" faculty, it is a great place to catch up with old friends and offers one last chance to spend some quality time in our beautiful Center before we relocate. **If you are interested in volunteering at the Teaching Center, please contact Rick Frei at rfrei@ccp.edu. Make sure to include the time/day you are available to volunteer.**

In Our Gallery

January 20th to February 6th

Photographs from Hawaii by Heidi Braunschweig

Many thanks to the following faculty and staff who help keep the Teaching Center open:

Board of Directors: Ruth Baker, Frank Bartell, Mary Griffin (chair), Rick Hock, Jay Howard, Cynthia Walls, and Susan Tobia

Teaching Center Staff: (Department/Position): Rick Frei (Psychology/Facilitator of the Teaching Center), Dot French (Mathematics/Art Gallery), Fran Lukacik (Allied Health/Technology), Lisa Handler (Social Sciences/

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