



Center for Teaching Excellence & Innovation November/December, 2017

The CTEI has had a great first couple of months. We've already held a number of well-attended conversations, workshops, presentations, and meetings all designed to help each of us develop further our already excellent and innovative teaching. All of this is happening because of your enthusiasm and support and we thank you for being so engaged. We are wrapping up 2017 with a number of possibilities for your participation. Our events for November and December include a provocative presentation on student source use, prosaic parleys on student reading and semester stories, politely pondering book groups, a promising professors' orientation, and portentous planning in our Advisory Board. Join us as we continue to explore what it is we educators can do in the classroom and beyond. Please read over the following pages to find more details on the events listed below. See you there.

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- Monday, 11/6
(and 12/4) **CTEI Advisory Board Meeting**
1:10-2:30, Hackett, G-150
- Thursday 11/9 **CASL Presentation: What Source Entanglement Teaches**
Presented by Dr. Derek Mueller (EMU); facilitated by Chelsea Lonsdale,
2:00-4:00 Vogt Room (Library)
- Tuesday 11/14 **Instructional Technology Spotlight: YuJa**, Presented by Victoria
Bessette, 2:30-3:30 N011 (lower level)
- Friday, 11/17
(and 12/8) **Book Group**, Session 2 of 3; facilitated by Janice Caie-Lawrence
2:30-3:45, Room G-142
- Tuesday, 11/28 **Faculty Orientation**, Facilitated by Mike Hill
3:00-4:00, Hackett, G-150
- Wednesday 11/29 **Collegial Conversations**, Facilitated by Pamela Stewart and Tracie
Varitek, 2:10-3:00, K-311
- Monday, 12/4 **CTEI Advisory Board Meeting**
1:10-2:30, Hackett, G-150
- Friday, 12/8 **Book Group**, Session 3 of 3; facilitated by Janice Caie-Lawrence
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SAVE THE DATE! Annual Conference: Friday, February 2, 2018 James Lang 9:30 – 4 (see last pg)



CTEI Advisory Board

Meeting

Monday, 11/6, 1:10-2:30, Hackett G-150

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The CTEI Advisory Board is a walk-on committee. Our first meeting in October was productive and important, but it was also slightly under-attended. We want your help. Please consider joining us to help us make the CTEI a vibrant space of community and learning for all educators on our campus. Your ideas matter.

Special CASL Presentation

“What Source Entanglement Teaches”

Derek Mueller, Director of EMU’s 1st Year Writing Program

Facilitated by Chelsea Lonsdale, CASL sub-committee

Thursday, 11/9 2:00-4:00, Vogt Room

CASL and the CTEI are proud to present Dr. Derek Mueller to help us think about how students use sources in academic writing. Dr. Mueller will link selected ideas from his book, *Network Sense*, and approaches to teaching academic source use in first-year writing classes and beyond. Participants will learn how to employ simple visual models to encourage reading methods and rhetorical invention, while priming awareness of students, texts, campuses, and wider life worlds as interconnected. Dr. Mueller is Associate Professor of Written Communication and Director of the First-year Writing Program at Eastern Michigan University. His teaching and research attends to the interplay among writing, rhetorics, and technologies.

Book Discussion Group facilitated by Janice Caie-Lawrence

Friday, 11/17 2:30-3:45 (Session 2 of 3) G-142

Friday, 12/8 2:30-3:45 (Session 3 of 3) G-142

The Fall book group is underway with discussion of James Lang’s book, *Small Teaching – Everyday Lessons from the Science of Learning* (2016). Lang will be our speaker at our upcoming conference February 2, 2018. Lang argues that we can look at a small set of principles from the learning sciences to create small, incremental - but very powerful - changes in how we help students learn. If you’re interested in joining a HFC book group next winter, view our Winter 2018 schedule in our next newsletter.



**Faculty Orientation,
“Armageddon and Other**

Tuesday 11/28, 3:00-4:00 Hackett G-150

**Facilitated by Mike Hill
Final Days”**

During our third session of Faculty Orientation, we will consider the final days of the semester. How do new faculty experience the stress, the duties, the student anxieties, the labor of the end of the semester? What should faculty be doing as they wrap up classes and committee work? How do we assess and grade when days are numbered? During this session, participants will share ideas for coping with the end of a class and discuss our institutional responsibilities for closing out the semester. We will also continue to build our connections with our fellow faculty so that we can insure that HFC remains a college focused on community.

Faculty Orientation is intended for newer faculty members, but all faculty members are encouraged to attend. The CTEI believes that we continually develop as faculty from our first day to our last and we believe that faculty should work intentionally on our own development. Please join us so that we can develop together.

Collegial Conversations: “Supporting Student Reading”

Facilitated by Pamela Stewart and Tracie Varitek

Wednesday, 11/29, 2:10-3:00, K-311

Confident, engaged, motivated and proficient. Would you use these words to describe your students' reading abilities? Please join Tracie Varitek and Pamela Stewart for a Collegial Conversation focused on motivating and supporting students to complete assigned course readings. This conversation connects with January's PIC topic - Reading Apprenticeship.

AND

We Proudly Present



**A Joint Conference
on Teaching and Learning**



**Keynote Speaker
James Lang**

author of
Small Teaching: Everyday Lessons from the Science of Learning
Cheating Lessons: Learning from Academic Dishonesty

Friday, February 2 from 9:30-4:00

**Please plan to join us for this exciting opportunity to learn,
discuss, dine and commune with our next door neighbors.**