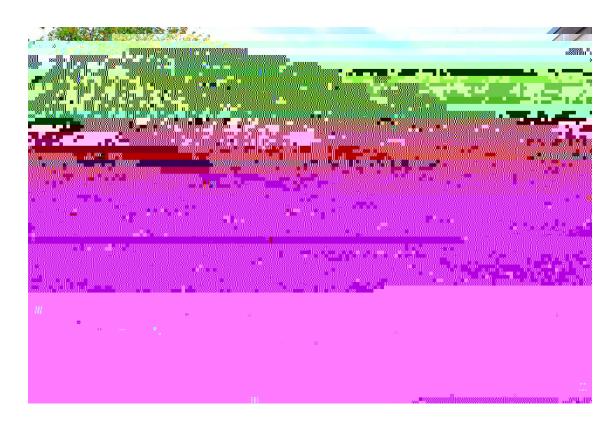
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Spread the Word

Please forward to sessional lecturers and teaching assistants in your units so that they are aware of Centre for Teaching and Learning (CTL) supports and events.

Welcome to 2021-22



Events

Creating Accessible Documents Tuesday, Sept. 21, 3-4 p.m.

The switch to remote learning has created new learning opportunities and challenges in accessibility. Learn about some of the assistive technologies students use and why accessible materials are important. Acquire new skills in creating accessible documents and modifying existing documents to adhere to the AODA. This workshop is interactive and open to all faculty and staff, and all materials will be provided.

Facilitator:

Alissa Evans, Assistive Technology Consultant, CTL/ Access

Services

Register here.

Fostering a Sense of Community in Online Learning Thursday, Sept. 23, 11 a.m.-12 p.m.

Online learning is rapidly growing at the post-secondary level in Canada due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Despite the growing need for online learning, there are often high dropout rates due to feelings of isolation and disconnection. These feelings can be overcome by fostering a sense of community (SoC), which is a sense of belonging and interactivity among learners. This webinar will focus on the pedagogical benefits of a SoC, the facilitation method that produces a stronger SoC, and learner-learner interactions that weaken this sense of community in online courses.

Facilitators:

Dr. Krystle Phirangee, Educational Developer, Assessment and Online Learning, CTL

Nadine Clarke, Frontline Educational Technology Specialist, CTL

Register here.

Support for Experiential Learning at UTSC Wednesday, Oct. 6, 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

If you are developing and teaching experiential learning (EL) courses, UTSC has many people and resources to assist you

Integrated Learning Experience coordinators; and Community Partnerships and Engagement staff members. There are also EL grants and learning modules to support and enhance your course. Learn more about these supports, meet the people who offer them and have all your questions answered at this workshop.

Facilitators:

Dr. Al Hearn, Educational Developer for Experiential Learning, CTL

Saddaf Syed, Integrated Learning Experience Coordinator, Arts & Science Co-op

Julie Witt, Integrated Learning Experience Coordinator, Arts & Science Co-op

Anushay Irfan Khan, Program Integration and Design Coordinator, Community

Partnerships & Engagement

Register <u>here</u>.

The latest issue of the magazine focuses on the theme of change, in reference to the

lessons that we have learned during the pandemic, we hope that these changes will

Read the Changes issue here.

Instructional Technology Innovation Fund (ITIF) Applications

The 2021 Instructional Technology Innovation Fund (ITIF) applications are now open. The fund is intended to provide opportunities for technology-mediated teaching and learning projects. Applications are accepted from fully appointed faculty (both streams) and librarians. Projects must be for supporting degree credit courses and programs. Drop-in consultations on Teams will be available this month. The deadline for applications is Friday, Nov. 19.

Learn more, including funding streams and themes for the 2021 funding round, here.

New AccessAbility Services Module

Instructors can now view student accommodation letters online through a new

Access Services module. This module, available in my, allows faculty to reference which students in their courses are requesting accommodations.

Access Services has produced faculty guides on this process including an FAQ, a step-by-step video and more which can be found on the <u>Faculty Resource</u> site.

Additional Resources

Additional teaching resources are available at the <u>Centre for Teaching Support & Innovation website</u>.