



Fall Teaching Expo August 18 – September 3

All faculty are invited to attend one, some or all of the programs being offered during our Fall Teaching Expo. There are a variety of sessions being offered for new and experienced faculty. Centre staff will be facilitating most of the programs but we will also be acting as host for faculty offering a workshop in their area of expertise.

For more information or to register please visit: www.ubc.ca/okanagan/ctl/events or call 250-807-9293.



Fall Teaching Expo Programs

DATE & TIME	TITLE	LOCATION
Wed, August 18-20, 9:00 AM-3:00 PM	Faculty Instructional Skills Seminar	LIB 305
Thu, August 19, 1:00 PM - 2:30 PM	WebCT Vista Extreme Makeover	LIB 111
Fri, August 20, 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM	WebCT Vista Learning Modules	LIB 111
Fri, August 20, 1:00 PM - 2:30 PM	WebCT Vista Assessments and Respondus	LIB 111
Mon, August 23, 9:30 AM - 11:30 AM	Instructional Foundations Toolkit	LIB 305
Mon, August 23, 1:00 PM - 2:30 PM	Getting Started with Technology	LIB 305
Mon, August 23, 2:45 PM - 3:30 PM	Classroom Tech Orientation	ART 366
Mon, August 23, 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM	Golf and Dine Social at Aspen Grove	
Tue, August 24, 9:00 AM - 10:45 AM	WebCT Vista Orientation	LIB 111
Tue, August 24, 11:00 AM - 11:45	WebCT Vista Assignment Dropbox/Group Manager	LIB 111
Tue, August 24, 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM	WebCT Vista Gradebook	LIB 111
Tue, August 24, 2:15 PM - 3:00 PM	Equity in the Classroom	LIB 305
Wed, August 25, 1:00 PM - 2:30 PM	Assessment Toolkit Part 1 & 2	LIB 305
Wed, August 25, 2:45 PM - 3:35 PM	Integrating Oral Presentation Assignments	LIB 305
Thu, August 26, 9:00 AM - 10:15 AM	Clickers Nuts and Bolts	LIB 305
Thu, August 26, 10:30 AM - 11:45 AM	Clicker Best Practices	LIB 305
Fri, August 27, 9:30 AM - 10:50 AM	PowerPoint Basics and Pedagogy	LIB 111
Fri, August 27, 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM	PowerPoint Advanced	LIB 111
Fri, August 27, 1:30 PM - 3:00 PM	Word Writing Papers	LIB 111
Mon, August 30, 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM	Great Ideas Worth Stealing- Incorporating Research into Undergraduate Student Writing	LIB 305
Mon, August 30, 1:00 PM - 1:50 PM	Grading Writing Assignments by Letter	LIB 305
Mon, August 30, 2:00 PM - 2:45 PM	Working with Teaching Assistants	LIB 305
Tue, August 31, 9:00 AM - 10:30 AM	Scholarship of Teaching & Learning: The 5 W's addressed	LIB 305
Tue, August 31, 1:00 PM - 1:45 PM	Graduate Student Mentoring	LIB 305
Tue, August 31, 2:00 PM - 2:45 PM	Midpoint Feedback	LIB 305

Fall Teaching Expo Programs cont.

DATE & TIME	TITLE	LOCATION
Wed, September 1, 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM	Open House	ADM 044
Wed, September 1, 3:00 PM - 3:45 PM	Classroom Tech Orientation	ART 214
Thu, September 2, 9:00 AM - 10:45 AM	WebCT Vista Orientation	LIB 111
Thu, September 2, 11:00 AM - 11:45 AM	Technology and the Classroom: Eradicating Borders	LIB 305
Thu, September 2, 1:00 PM - 2:30 PM	Turnitin	LIB 111
Thu, September 2, 3:00 PM - 3:45 PM	Classroom Tech Orientation	ART 214
Fri, September 3, 9:00 AM - 10:30 AM	Supplemental Instruction	UNC 201
Fri, September 3, 11:00 AM - 11:50 AM	Popular Culture in the Classroom: Engaging Our Students	LIB 305

Fall Faculty Workshops

To register for workshops please visit: www.ubc.ca/okanagan/ctl or call 250-807-9293.

Teaching Squares

Mon, September 20

The Teaching Squares initiative celebrates teaching excellence, builds communities of practice, and aims to enhance teaching and learning through a structured process of classroom observation, reflection, discussion and plan for renewal. Participants must register for the program. Faculty will be placed into a "Square" with three other instructors from diverse content areas. An initial meeting is held where participants meet to schedule classroom visits and discuss their goals for participating in the program. Each Square participant will visit one class per week and will be visited once a week by a Square participant. After all visits have been completed (3 weeks), the entire Square will reconvene to discuss what they discovered about their own teaching.

Remark (Optical Mark Reader) Workshop

Tue, September 28, 2:30 PM - 3:30PM or Fri, October 1, 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM

The new and improved Remark Optical Mark Reading (OMR) software is here! Join us for a hands-on tour to see how you can scan and run reports for your multiple choice exams. The new version is easy to use and features better recognition of student responses. Try it—you'll like it.

Remark (Optical Mark Reader) Stats

Fri, October 15, 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM

In this workshop, we will take a closer look at the statistics generated in the Remark OMR reports and why they would be meaningful when you are marking a multiple choice exam.

Teaching Portfolios

Fri, October 29, 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM

This workshop will provide an opportunity to learn more about the purpose and contents of a teaching portfolio. Participants will be given examples.

Successful Instructional Strategies Panel

Fri, November 5, 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM

An invited panel of faculty will draw on their own experience to discuss successful instructional strategies. Participants will have the opportunity to engage the panel with questions and share their own strategies.

WebCT Vista Gradebook

Fri, November 26, 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM

In this session participants will set up the Vista Gradebook, create columns and calculate formulas.

Peer Mentoring

The Centre brings the Peer Mentoring Pairs together once a month. Typically the group gathers for a quick professional development piece/activity followed by lunch and discussion. Pairs are encouraged to meet outside of this opportunity as well. For more information please contact Peter Arthur at 250-807-9207 or peter.arthur@ubc.ca.



Class DVD Recording

Have you ever wondered what it might be like to view your teaching? The Centre for Teaching and Learning staff are available to record your class and provide you with a DVD. The DVD will be yours to view in private, with a colleague or with one of the CTL's Learning Specialists. Watching the recording provides an invaluable insight into your teaching. To request a class recording, please contact Heather Hurren at the Centre for Teaching and Learning (250-807-9288).

Communities of Practice

Check our website in mid September for the meeting schedules!
www.ubc.ca/okanagan/ctl/support/practice.html

Team-Based Learning Community of Practice

A number of faculty are using Team-Based Learning in their classrooms and others wish to learn more. The community of practice will provide faculty with an opportunity to share best practices and network with instructors from other disciplines.

If you are interested in learning more about this strategy and/or are using it now, join the Community of Practice. Meetings will usually be held once a month at the Centre for Teaching & Learning. Contact Heather Hurren for more information.
heather.hurren@ubc.ca.

Interdisciplinary Instructional Writing Group

The goal of this community is to establish the culture of writing across the university, and provide a forum for those within the group to share expertise with respect to writing. Contact Peter Arthur for more information peter.arthur@ubc.ca.

Problem Based Learning Community of Practice

Do you use Problem Based Learning in your classroom? Would you like to? This Community of Practice is for all faculty who currently use PBL or would like to learn more about it. Typically we meet twice per term and faculty share their experiences as they experiment with/implement PBL.

If you are interested in joining this community, contact Heather Hurren at heather.hurren@ubc.ca.

Critical Thinking Community of Practice

This Community of Practice is for all faculty that are currently assisting students in developing Critical Thinking tools and for those faculty that would like to learn more about it. The Community of Practice meets to share best practices and review current literature in the field. Last year, the community began three projects that are now underway. You may also be interested to learn more or participate in one of these:

1. New course development combining Critical Thinking and Sustainability
2. Writing an International/Interdisciplinary book about Critical Thinking in Higher Education Classrooms.
3. Vista shell to discuss and share online.

If you would like to join, please contact Heather Hurren at heather.hurren@ubc.ca or Janine Hirtz at janine.hirtz@ubc.ca.

eLearning Community of Practice

This Community of Practice is for all faculty who are interested in the integration of educational technology into teaching and learning. This might be through Podcasting, Clickers, Vista or Web 2.0 Collaborative technologies and social software applications. Whether you are new to technology or a self-professed "technology geek", join this community for an opportunity to share best practices and explore evaluation of effectiveness of using innovative technology as a teaching strategy in your classroom. Join us as we share tips and tricks that are sure to enhance your overall technological skills and confidence!

To join, please contact Janine Hirtz at janine.hirtz@ubc.ca.

Clicker Community of Practice

This Community of Practice is for all instructors who are interested in using clickers. Whether you want to use clickers as a strategy to engage students during class, check their understanding, or even to encourage attendance, join this new community to share best practices and gain support with your implementation ideas!

For more information, please contact Vania Chan at vania.chan@ubc.ca.

Spotlight– UBC Okanagan Award for Teaching Excellence and Innovation 2010



This year's Teaching Excellence and Innovation Award at UBC's Okanagan campus goes to two professors from the Irving K. Barber School of Arts and Sciences. The award recognizes Patricia Lasserre, associate professor of computer science, for her innovative teaching, and Michael Woodworth, associate professor of psychology, for connecting his courses with leading-edge research and current events.

Do you have a Teaching Assistant?

Attend the workshop on August 30 **Working with Teaching Assistants**. Register Today!

The Centre offers a professional development program for TA's including an orientation (September 15) a manual, a website and many workshops throughout the term including **WebCT Vista workshops for TA's**. A full day of workshops are planned for September 18.

For more information contact Heather Hurren at 250-807-9288

TA Tuesdays

All Teaching Assistants are invited to drop in to the Centre for Teaching and Learning (ADM044) from 2:30 PM to 4:00 PM every Tuesday to get assistance in the following areas:

- WebCT Vista support
- Optical Mark Reader instruction
- Instructional or assessment support

Centre staff will be available to assist you during this drop-in time every Tuesday from 2:30 PM to 4:00 PM.

Be sure to mark these D.A.T.E.'s (Discussions About Teaching Excellence) in your calendar!

These discussions will take the form of an open meeting hosted by the Centre for Teaching and Learning. The discussion will begin with our guest providing their insights into teaching excellence followed by an open discussion. We encourage you to participate in this important topic.

Fri, September 17, 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM

Fri, October 22, 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM

Fri, November 19, 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM

To register for more information please visit: www.ubc.ca/okanagan/ctl or call 250-807-9293.

Open Classroom

The Open Classroom initiative provides a unique opportunity to any UBC Okanagan faculty member, or graduate student to observe colleagues in the settings of their classroom. We have many outstanding teachers who have volunteered to open up their classroom. This provides an opportunity to view a variety of learning environments in action. Observers will have the opportunity to discuss their observations with the colleague observed. All observations will be organized and coordinated by the Centre for Teaching and Learning.

If you would like to volunteer to open your classroom to colleagues, or if interested in observing a colleague in action, please contact Peter Arthur at 250-807-9207 or peter.arthur@ubc.ca.

The Scholarship of Teaching & Learning at UBC Okanagan

This past spring UBC Okanagan was pleased to announce the new **Grant for the Integration of Teaching and Research in Undergraduate Education**. This year, leading up to the application deadline, we will be offering a workshop in partnership with the Research Office to assist applicants.

As well we are now part of a larger group of resources available to faculty researchers. **Research Support Leads** is a team comprised of representatives from the Research Office, IT services, the Library and ourselves.

Our SoTL research group of faculty continue to meet to share research projects and ideas to further the cause of improving teaching and learning on campus.

To find out what is happening this academic year, register for the workshop on Tuesday, August 31st:

Scholarship of Teaching and Learning: The 5 W's Addressed

9:00 AM – 10:30 AM

For more information or to register please visit: www.ubc.ca/okanagan/ctl/events or call 250-807-9293

Partners in Teaching Excellence

Just a reminder that Centre staff are available for individual consultations for faculty wishing to implement innovations in instruction for teaching and learning excellence. The Centre also offers Learning Communities where faculty share experiences in teaching and learning. We currently offer Peer Mentoring, Teaching Squares, Instructional Skills Seminars as well as other programs listed on our website. We are currently expanding our faculty resources section to offer current information on new trends in Higher Education. Contact the Centre for more information.

WebCT Vista Wednesdays

Join us at the Centre for Teaching and Learning!

Drop-in any Wednesday from 1:00 PM-3:00 PM, September 8 to December 8.

You are invited to drop by the Centre for Teaching and Learning in **ADM 044** on Wednesday afternoons for help with WebCT Vista. These are unstructured session times when help will be available to you regarding any concerns, issues or questions you have about using WebCT Vista.

We look forward to seeing you!

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Hours of Operation

8:30 AM-4:00 PM

(closed for lunch noon-1:00 PM)

The Centre for Teaching and Learning is located in ADM 044 (underneath the cafeteria patio)