

CLL Update

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- A monthly listing of teaching and learning news and events, published by the Centre for Leadership in Learning (CLL) -

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“Education 750: Principles and Practices of University Teaching”

is a credit course in university teaching offered three times per year to McMaster graduate students and postdoctoral fellows.

The focus is on honing essential pedagogical and practical teaching skills including: curriculum design, teaching and assessment strategies, and developing a teaching portfolio.

Education 750 is full for the January, 2013 term.

The next course will begin May, 2013.

It is tentatively scheduled for Tuesdays from 9:30am to 12:30pm, May 7, 2013 - July 30, 2013.

Registration will open in March, 2013 through SOLAR.

For more information, go to [ccl.mcmaster.ca/pedagogy/programs/education750.html?](http://ccl.mcmaster.ca/pedagogy/programs/education750.html?_lg)

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Important Dates: Winter 2013

- **January 9, 10, & 11, various times** - Avenue to Learn Training. CLL Teaching Commons Inquiry Classroom, Mills Library 504. Register at <http://avenue.mcmaster.ca/help/form-training.php>.
- **January 16 (and each Wednesday thereafter), 2:30pm to 3:30pm** - Pedagogy Community of Practice Meetings. The location of the meetings is to be announced. For more information, contact Chris Teeter (teetercj@mcmaster.ca).
- **January 18 (by 4:00pm)** - Nomination deadline for the President's Awards for Outstanding Contributions to Teaching and Learning. These awards recognize those who, through innovation and commitment, have significantly enhanced the quality of their students' learning experience. Submit nominations to the CLL. For more information, visit http://ccl.mcmaster.ca/awards_and_grants/president_award.html.
- **January 18, 1:00pm to 3:00pm** - Social Justice and Critical Pedagogy Community of Practice Meeting. This **NEW** Community of Practice will consist of faculty, students, and staff interested in pursuing social justice through teaching and work in higher education. CLL Teaching Commons Inquiry Classroom, Mills Library 504. For more information, contact Marie Vander Kloet (vandema@mcmaster.ca).
- **January 21, February 25, & March 25, 11:30am to 1:00pm** - Accessibility Community of Practice Meetings. CLL Teaching Commons Inquiry Classroom, Mills Library 504. For more information, contact Bonny Jung (jungb@mcmaster.ca).
- **January 23, 12:30pm to 1:30pm** - Level 1 Instructors Community of Practice Meeting. CLL Teaching Commons Inquiry Classroom, Mills Library 504. For more information, contact Lovaye Kajiura (kajiura@mcmaster.ca).
- **January 23, 1:30pm to 3:30pm** - Active Learning Strategies Workshop. In this interactive workshop for graduate students and teaching assistants, participants will learn about, discuss, and adapt active learning strategies that they may incorporate into their teaching. Wong e-classroom, Mills Memorial Library L107. Register at <http://ccl.mcmaster.ca/events/>.

The CLL Teaching and Learning Grants application deadline for grants up to \$10,000 is February 1, 2013. Visit <http://tinyurl.com/cllgrants> or contact Erin Allard (allardec@mcmaster.ca) for more information.

McMaster Seminar on Higher Education: Practice, Policy, and Public Life

The aim of this lecture series, presented by the Office of the President, is to encourage dialogue and inspire critical thought within the McMaster and broader Hamilton communities. Two upcoming events for the series are:

“Building Transnational Research and Learning Cultures”

Dr. Diana Brydon
(University of Manitoba)

January 10, 2013
2:00pm to 3:00pm
Council Chambers,
Gilmour Hall, 111

“Class Action: Human Rights, Critical Activism, and Community-Engaged Learning”

Dr. Ajay Heble
(University of Guelph),
with responses from
Dr. Amber Dean &
Dr. Walt Peace
(McMaster University)

January 24, 2013
1:00pm to 3:00pm
Council Chambers,
Gilmour Hall, 111

- **January 24, February 28, & March 21, 1:00pm to 2:30pm** - Community Engaged Education Community of Practice Meetings. CLL Teaching Commons Inquiry Classroom, Mills Library 504. For more information, contact Adam Kuhn (akuhn@mcmaster.ca).
- **January 24, March 6, & April 16, 12:30pm to 1:30pm** - Research on Teaching and Learning Community of Practice Meetings. CLL Teaching Commons Inquiry Classroom, Mills Library 504. For more information, contact Sarah Symons (symonss@mcmaster.ca).
- **January 28, 12:30pm to 1:30pm** - Teaching Professors Community of Practice Meeting. CLL Teaching Commons Inquiry Classroom, Mills Library 504. For more information, contact Elzbieta Grodek (grodeke@mcmaster.ca).
- **January 30, 12:30pm to 2:30pm** - Building a Teaching Dossier Workshop. In this workshop for graduate students and teaching assistants, participants will be introduced to components of a teaching dossier, including a teaching philosophy, evidence of teaching abilities, and feedback on teaching. Participants will either build their first dossier, or edit an existing dossier. CLL Teaching Commons Inquiry Classroom, Mills Library 504. Register at <http://cll.mcmaster.ca/events/>.
- **January 31, 3:00pm to 4:30pm** - Orientation for McMaster Sessional Instructors. This orientation will provide McMaster sessional instructors with information regarding the teaching supports available at the University. It will also provide them with the opportunity to have some of their teaching-related questions answered. CLL Teaching Commons Inquiry Classroom, Mills Library 504. For more information, contact Catherine Swanson (swanson@mcmaster.ca).
- **February 15** - Paul R. MacPherson Teaching Fellowships application deadline. The program seeks to identify faculty members who have demonstrated exemplary teaching practices and who show promise of becoming outstanding educators. Submit nominations to the CLL. For more information, visit http://cll.mcmaster.ca/awards_and_grants/macpherson_fellows/index.html or contact Beth Marquis (beth.marquis@mcmaster.ca).
- **February 15** - Petro-Canada Young Innovator Award application deadline. For more information, visit http://cll.mcmaster.ca/awards_and_grants/petro_canada_award.html or contact Beth Marquis (beth.marquis@mcmaster.ca).

CLL Update will be circulated monthly in order to alert the McMaster community to CLL news and events. If you have questions/comments about the Update, please contact Erin Allard (allardec@mcmaster.ca). For further information about the CLL and its services, see: <http://cll.mcmaster.ca>