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TOMORROW!

CRTLE Guest Speaker: *AI in Education Series*
Generative AI Across the Instructional/Assessment Life Cycle

Dr. John Behrens
Director, Technology and Digital Studies Program,
and Idzik Computing and Digital Technologies Program
University of Notre Dame

Wednesday, February 28
11:30 am - 1:00 pm
Trinity Hall, Room 105 or via Microsoft Teams

Join us for this guest speaker event as Dr. John Behrens shares his expertise on Generative AI. Generative AI is a collection of technologies and processes that often produce artifacts indistinguishable from those created by humans. This raises issues in trust, meaning, and interpretation as well as opportunities to augment instructional design and implementation processes. Dr. Behrens will address core attributes of generative language models, some critical aspects of prompt engineering, and discuss how they can be applied across the instruction and assessment lifecycle. Link to the guest speaker's bio is here. *Lunch is provided for in-person attendees.*

Register to attend Guest Speaker series

CRTLE Syllabus Student Learning Outcomes (SLO) Project
SLO Alignment Training for Course Syllabus

Wednesday, March 6

9:00 am - 11:00 am

Trinity Hall, Room 105 or via Microsoft Teams

Join us for part two of the CRTLE SLO project and learn to effectively align your educationally sound, measurable student learning outcomes with course assignments and assessments. Doing so meets the criteria of HB 2504, THECB, the UT System, and SACSCOC accreditation and provides students with the clarity and framework for course expectations to support their learning success. *Refreshments are provided for in-person attendees.*

Register for SLO workshop

College Teaching Training Certificate

Faculty Send Your Graduate Students!

CTTC Workshop on Mentoring and Advising Relationship

Wednesday, March 6
12:00 pm - 1:00pm
Trinity Hall, Room 105 or via Microsoft Teams

Graduate students! Join us for a workshop to learn more about the significance of mentoring and advising students as a faculty member, with Dr. Frank Foss Jr.! This session is part of CRTLE's College Teaching Training Certificate (CTTC) program for graduate students in all academic disciplines. *Lunch will be provided for the in-person attendees.*

Register for CTTC Graduate Student Workshop

JOIN THE UT SYSTEM
TEACHING CENTERS AND ACADEMIES OF DISTINGUISHED TEACHERS:
Teaching as Wellbeing
Virtual Mini-Conference Series

Session #5
Thursday, March 7
1:00 pm - 3:00 pm

Online Series

Access the full schedule and register for the UT System Conference below.

Teaching as Well-Being Mini-Conference Series

1-3pm February 8, March 7, and April 11 in Zoom

The UT System Academy of Distinguished Teachers, in collaboration with UT System Faculty Developers, invites all instructors and graduate students to join a series of presentations and conversations about the relationships between teaching, learning, and well-being. Experts across our system will offer a unique agenda to reflect on our experiences and innovatively plan for what comes next for our colleagues, our students, and our programs. Dr. Salena Brody and Dr. Carol Cirulli Lanham, associate directors of the UT Dallas Center for Teaching and Learning, will present at the February session.

Webinar Registration
bit.ly/TeachingAsWellbeing

Bursts of Joy: Short-Term Approaches to Enhancing Your Well-Being and The Well-Being of Students

This session will offer a roadmap to creating short dynamic connections with students while enhancing your own well-being. Attendees will learn how to cultivate joy inside and outside the classroom by collaborating on short-term goal-oriented projects and connect teaching with well-being in brief, meaningful ways.

Access to full information and to register for the this mini-conference

Request for Proposals

CRTLE Teaching Innovation Research Grants

Submit your Proposal for Research on Teaching and Learning

The Center for Research on Teaching and Learning Excellence (CRTLE) is pleased to announce our 2024 Teaching Innovation Research Grants competition to promote the scholarship of teaching and learning at UTA. With appropriate IRB approvals in place, research and evaluation studies are to be conducted at UTA to contribute new knowledge on teaching, learning, and best practices for fostering student success on our campus.

Five Eligible Tracks of Study for Funding

I. Research on Teaching and Learning (Any Topic)

II. Enhancing and Assessing Teamwork in Teaching and Learning

III. Maverick Advantage Distinguishing Activities in Teaching:
Student Research, Global Engagement, Community Engagement, Leadership Development, Career Development/Internships
IV. Artificial Intelligence GenAI Applied in Teaching
V. Sustainability Implemented in Courses

Qualifying Applicants

Full-time UTA Faculty

Deadline

Tuesday, April 30, 2024, 11:59 pm CST

Awards will be announced in early-mid June 2024. The award amount is up to $2,500 for a single investigator, or up to $5,000 for 2 or more UTA faculty member co-investigators. For more information, visit the link below.

Request for Proposals CRTLE Teaching Innovation Research Grants

Micro-credentials in UTA Courses and Programs

The Office of the Provost is collecting information on how faculty are incorporating micro-credentials (i.e. industry-developed certificates, professional certifications) into the curriculum. As UTA continues to grow our micro-credentialing efforts, we want to find opportunities to highlight, recognize, and continue investing in this work.

If you incorporate microcredentials into a course or program, please share information **here.**

If you are interested in embedding a micro-credential (other than a UTA-awarded certificate) into a course or program, watch for a call for proposals from the Office of the Provost to be selected for a virtual summer institute.

UT System GenAI Conference

March 7-8, 2024

The University of Texas at San Antonio

Colleagues! Registration is open for the **UT System Conference: Innovative Teaching & Learning in the Era of Generative AI!** This engaging and insightful event brings together experts, academics, and colleagues across the UT system campuses for a unique opportunity to connect, learn, and share.

Register UT System AI Conference

CRTLE AI Opportunity

AI in Teaching and Learning Seminar Series and Resource Guide

You are invited to contribute!

CRTLE invites you to share your AI teaching practices! How do you use ChatGPT or other AI tools to motivate, challenge, and/or elevate student learning? What are your creative teaching strategies using AI images?

We invite our UTA faculty to complete the form at the link below and describe how you are using AI in teaching. On the form, select if you would like to:

1. Present your strategy for teaching with AI in a CRTLE session this spring semester (optional).

2. Contribute your strategy to a CRTLE AI in Teaching resource guide we are building, where we will credit you as author, on the creative way(s) you use AI in your classes (pending your final review and permission).

Teaching Strategies Using AI

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IN CASE YOU MISSED IT

AI in Education Series

If you missed any of our CRTLE Sessions on *AI in Education,* resources, presentation slides, and recordings can be found on our CRTLE webpage here under the Initiatives tab:

https://www.uta.edu/administration/crtle/initiatives/ai-in-education

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ACUE | Student Success Through Exceptional Teaching

Focus on Teaching Excellence!

Enroll in ACUE Stackable Courses This Spring Semester

In partnership with the Association of College and University Educators (ACUE), the Center for Research on Teaching and Learning Excellence (CRTLE) provides our community with stackable, micro-credential courses. Register now to be part of an ACUE cohort!

For more information, please contact CRTLE Team member Dr. Nali Kim at nlkim@uta.edu.

Register for ACUE at UTA

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upcoming CRTLE EVENTS

GenAI Panel Discussion: Detectors, Ethics, and Integrity in Teaching and Learning. With panelists from CRTLE, Office of Community Standards, Center for Distance Education (CDE), and Office of Information Technology (OIT), Wednesday, March 20, 11:30 am - 1:00 pm with optional discussion through 1:30 pm. Trinity Hall 105 and via Teams. **Sign up to attend here**.

CTTC Session: Process of Developing and Incorporating OER, Friday, March 22, 12:00 pm - 1:00 pm, Teams Only

March CRTLE Faculty Lounge: Free Resources to Use in Teaching, Friday, March 22, 12:00 pm - 1:00 pm, Trinity Hall 105 and via Teams. Presented by CRTLE Facilitator Dr. Bonnie Boardman

Peer Observation Training with Certificate, Wednesday, March 27, 9:00 am - 11:00 am, Trinity Hall 105 and via Teams

See the CRTLE website for updates on our events and access our many teaching resources:

UTA Partners Supporting Teaching Excellence

Join sessions and trainings offered by our UTA partners or contact them for further assistance. We work together to support you in teaching!

Center for Distance Education (CDE): https://www.uta.edu/distance

Office of Information Technology (OIT): https://oit.uta.edu/

Classroom Support Services: https://www.uta.edu/edutech/

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