

# Teaching Commons News

## Happy Thanksgiving!

As the scorching temperatures of summer give way to the cooler temperatures of October, most of us have settled into our academic routine for the fall term.

In this newsletter we have included a selection of the many teaching and learning workshops and events taking place in the Teaching Commons and around campus.



## Upcoming TC workshops and events

### Teaching Indigenous Content Workshop

Tuesday, October 13, 2pm-4pm, TEL 1014

In conjunction with the Centre for Aboriginal Student Services (CASS), the Teaching Commons has scheduled a two-hour "Teaching Indigenous content" workshop on how to teach Indigenous content ethically. This workshop will be co-facilitated by faculty members who have been teaching Indigenous issues in an ethical and respectful manner at York University. During the workshop, they will share stories of past successes and failures suggest ways to ethically teach Indigenous content, and make recommendations for future improvements in this area

Details and registration: <http://teachingcommons.yorku.ca/teaching-indigenous-content-workshop/>

### Let's TaLC

The Teaching and Learning Collective – or TaLC – invites York scholars to come together to have conversations around teaching and learning. These scholars share the perspective that teaching is driven by the desire to find out how to help students learn and undertake systematic enquiry about that learning in his or her own classroom. We meet from noon to 1:30 every last Tuesday of the month except for the December meeting which will take place the second to last Tuesday.



October 27: Educational Research Methods

<http://teachingcommonsforms.apps01.yorku.ca/forms/view.php?id=281641>

### Teaching Commons weekly blog

Each week we publish a [blog](#) written by and for the York teaching community. Check it out.

Blog 1 – Monday  
September 14th – Celia Popovic, [Launching the teaching and learning blog](#)

Blog 2 – Monday  
September 21st – Mary Waller, [Seeing Behaviour](#)

Blog 3 – Monday  
September 28th – Susan Murtha – [Plan B for technology in the classroom](#)

If you would like to contribute to the TC blog please contact Celia Popovic  
[cpopovic@yorku.ca](mailto:cpopovic@yorku.ca)

### Webinar series

A recording of our September webinar "Including and assessing reflective learning" and registration for our upcoming webinars is available at  
<http://teachingcommons.yorku.ca/2015-2016-webinar/>

November 24: Subtle Champions of SoTL

<http://teachingcommonsforms.apps01.yorku.ca/forms/view.php?id=282341>

December 14: Now What? Developing a SoTL Question

<http://teachingcommonsforms.apps01.yorku.ca/forms/view.php?id=282940>

## Teaching and learning around campus

The Institute for Research on Digital Learning invites you to participate in a roundtable discussion on

*Changing Patterns, Shifting Practices, and Emerging Pedagogies: Digital Learning in the Classroom*

Thursday October 1, 2015, 12:15PM - 2:15PM in TEL 1009

RSVP: [irdl@yorku.ca](mailto:irdl@yorku.ca)



The **Centre for Human Rights (CHR)** invites you to its upcoming **Anti-Racism Talkshop Series!**

Thursday, October 8 - *Understanding and Addressing Microaggressions (Subtle Discrimination)*

Thursday, October 29 - *Culture as Halloween Costumes: When has the line been crossed?*

Tuesday, November 24 - *Critical Conversations on Employment Equity*

For full details, please visit the CHR's website - <http://rights.info.yorku.ca/events/>

### Scott Library

The Scott Research & Collections Department offers a number of drop-in workshops open to undergraduate students, graduate students, faculty and staff. These include:

Zotero 101

Finding Books

Finding Articles

Citing Using APA

Citing Using MLA

Academic Integrity (how to avoid plagiarism)

No registration is required and all workshops are held in **Room 531, Scott Library** unless otherwise noted. Full workshop descriptions are available on the library website at

<http://www.library.yorku.ca/web/ask-services/instructional-workshops/>

### Instructional Skills Workshops

The October workshop is full but there are places available for November 16, 20, 23. For more information see:

<http://teachingcommons.yorku.ca/for-cds/workshops-and-courses-for-cds/courses/instructional-skills-workshop>

### Call for nominations for FGS Teaching Awards 2015-16

Know someone who deserves to be nominated for the FGS teaching award? A faculty member or supervisor who has gone above and beyond to support student success? Consider putting together a nomination. The deadline for submitting an award is November 15. See: <http://gradstudies.yorku.ca/faculty-staff/academic-affairs/teaching-award/> for more information about the award



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