The Teaching Commons is seeking members of our York Community to come together as teaching and learning community of practice (CoP) to help enhance our teaching and learning practices. CoPs will offer opportunities to come together to professionally develop as you discuss and share experiences. We welcome any topic related to teaching and learning in higher education.

The TC is willing to provide up to $300 in funding as well as facilitation and logistical support as needed for up to five (5) CoPs for the 2019-2020 academic year. For more information or to request a CoP proposal form, please contact Mandy Frake-Mistak at mfmistak@yorku.ca.

Deadline to register is Tuesday, October 15.
**Workshop: Teaching Large Classes**

Do you teach a large class? What is a large class to you? Whether you teach 20 students and find that large, or you teach 500-1000 students, we will find common challenges and we will overcome together during the session.

Date: **Wednesday, October 16**, from 10-11:30 am in DB 1009

[Here is the link to register](#)

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**Reading for Teaching**

Join us on Thursday, October 17th to launch our community of colleagues interested in a year-long exploration of a book about teaching. We will have books to choose from, and you can also bring your own to pitch to the group. The group will work together to decide on what book (or books!) to read, how often we will meet, and how we will work together to learn from our reading and each other.

Date: **Thursday, October 17**, from 1-2pm in DB 1012

[Here is the link to register](#)

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**First Generation Day**

The office of the Vice Provost, Academic is hosting a First Generation Day, featuring an academic forum and networking event to celebrate and support first generation students, staff, faculty, and alumni who are among the first generation in their families to attend university. This inaugural event features panel presentations, breakout workshops, a networking event, and exhibitor tables.

Date: **Wednesday, October 23** in the New Student Centre

[Here is the link to learn more](#)

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**Celebration of Experiential Education – Save the Date!**

Join us on Thursday, November 7 from 2:30-4:30pm to celebrate the exciting work your colleagues are engaged in across campus. The event will highlight diverse examples of classroom-focused, community-focused, and work-focused experiential education (EE) alongside a chance to network with the faculty who have developed and facilitated these opportunities for their students. You will have the opportunity to learn more about the variety of ways experiential education can be integrated into your course through stories of examples, lessons learned, and important campus resources available to support you every step of the way.

Date: **Thursday, November 7** from 2:30-4:30 pm

More information will be made available in the coming weeks.
The 3M National Student Fellowship honours up to ten full-time diploma and undergraduate students at Canadian post-secondary institutions who have demonstrated outstanding leadership in their lives, at their post-secondary institution. These students embrace a vision of education that enhances their academic experience and beyond.

Here is the link to learn more

For more information, contact Lisa Endersby at lendersb@yorku.ca

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Formative Classroom Observation Program

The Formative Classroom Observation Program is a collaborative activity designed to inspire conversation and encourage personal reflections on classroom teaching. It is open to a course at any level and of any type (e.g. lecture, seminar).

Here is the link to learn more

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Call for Nominations – 3M National Student Fellowship

Here is the link to learn more