Brown Learning Collaborative: Teaching Problem Solving

Problem-Solving Course Design Institute
Problem solving is a skill you develop over time, but how do you teach it in a semester? The Problem-Solving Course Design Institute (PSCDI) is a two-day workshop for faculty, staff, postdocs, and graduate student teams to (re)design assignments that engage students in the problem-solving process. Upon successful completion, faculty participants will receive a $2,000 grant to implement their ideas during the 2019-2020 academic year. Applications are due May 1st.

Teaching Critical Thinking in an Age of Alternative Facts and Fake News
Wednesday, March 6, 12:00 - 1:30 PM, 720 SciLi (Lunch provided)
Workshop by Karl Wirth, Professor of Geology at Macalester College

Brown Learning Collaborative: Teaching Research

Capstone Course Development Institute (Co-sponsored by the Office of the Dean of the College and the Swearer Center)
Interested in developing or re-designing a capstone course in your concentration? The Sheridan Center and the Swearer Center welcome applications for the 2019-2020 Capstone Course Development Institute. The institute offers support and tools for faculty to develop or re-design and teach a capstone course, and includes a $4,000 course development grant. Applications are due March 1st.

Course-Based Research Institute (Co-sponsored with Brown HHMI)
The HHMI-Sheridan Course-based Undergraduate Research Experience (CURE) Faculty Institute offers up to $32,000 in funding for designing STEM and quantitative social science courses around authentic research experiences. Applications are due April 15.

Course-Based Research Poster Fair (Co-sponsored with Brown HHMI)
Monday, May 6, 2:00 – 4:00 PM, ERC Lobby

Invited Speakers

Thursday, February 14: James Lang, Professor of English and the Director of the D’Amour Center for Teaching Excellence at Assumption College in Worcester, MA.
• Cheating Lessons: Learning from Academic Dishonesty (co-sponsored with the Office of the Dean of the College)
  10:30 – 11:30 AM, Petteruti Lounge
• Teaching Distracted Minds (Invited Teaching Consultant Workshop)
  2:00 – 3:30 PM, 720 SciLi

Wednesday, March 6: Karl Wirth, Professor of Geology at Macalester College
• Supporting Student Development and Success with Pre-Advising Reflective Writing
  (co-sponsored with the Office of the Dean of the College)
  10:00 – 11:15 AM, 720 SciLi

“Art Objects and the Writing Process”: A Sheridan Center-RISD Museum Workshop
Thursday, April 11, Noon – 1:20 PM, RISD Museum
This interactive workshop facilitated by Jessica Metzler, Sheridan Center, takes an object from the RISD Museum’s collection as a starting point to de-familiarize and reflect on the writing process by approaching it through a set of visual exercises.

Awards and Showcase Events

University Teaching Awards Ceremony
Monday, April 29, 4:30 – 6:00 PM
Pembroke 305

Sheridan Graduate & Postdoc Teaching Fellows Showcase
Wednesday, May 8, 3:00 – 5:00 PM
7th floor SciLi

Department Workshops on Inclusive Teaching
The Sheridan Center supports D-DIAP committees by offering department workshops on topics such as Unconscious Bias in the Classroom, Introduction to Inclusive Teaching, and Facilitating Inclusive Discussions. For details, please see:
http://brown.edu/go/InclusiveDepartment