



The TLC Newsletter

Newsletter Spotlight

Professional Learning Communities ~ *Active Learning*

Community starts October 2nd, from 2:30-3:30 in Gaiser Hall 207, and meets every week.

This group will learn ways to vary the lecture, test and essay methods of teaching, brainstorm specific applications for our classrooms, test lesson plans on each other, and report back after trying it out in the classroom. While we will create our own goals, the primary focus will be on becoming practiced in the art of facilitating active learning. We will do this in a meta-teaching mode, experiencing new teaching methodologies as we learn together.

http://www.clark.edu/tlc/learning_circles.php

Professional Learning Communities ~ *The Importance Of Physical Space in Creating Supportive Learning Environments.*

Community starts October 1st, from 2:00-3:00 in Gaiser Hall 207, and meets every other week.

Participants will review the current literature on physical learning environments and use it to inform our discussion about the Clark campus. Our focus will be on the classroom, but we will also investigate what kinds of learning are taking place on campus outside the classroom. We envision a six- to nine-month project and a group that includes not only faculty, but staff and students.

Ultimately, we aim to create recommendations to the campus community to improve the landscape of learning at Clark College.

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Faculty Fellows

Initial Faculty Fellows Group

Group starts October 17th from 3:15-5:15 in Gaiser Hall 207, and meets every 4 weeks.

Faculty Fellows is an extended program designed for new full-time faculty at Clark. This program offers you effective research-based teaching strategies that facilitate student learning, and also highlights college services for student and faculty success. The program is planned so that faculty members learn from each other and professionals from across the campus in a supportive encouraging environment.

<http://www.clark.edu/tlc/initialfacultyfellows.php>

Returning Faculty Fellows Group

Group starts October 3rd from 3:15-5:00 in Gaiser Hall 207, and meets every 4 weeks.

At the last two Faculty Fellows meetings in May and June, some participants asked if the group could continue meeting through the next academic year. To honor this request the TLC will continue the program for last year's Faculty Fellows group. Let me know your interest in participating in the program this year.

<http://www.clark.edu/tlc/returningfacultyfellows.php>

Faculty Institute ~ *Teaching for Learning*

The National Institute for Staff and Organizational Development and Valencia Enterprises have created this faculty development program using case studies designed in a convenient, web-based, asynchronous format, in order to maximize the learning experience. This program will provide the tools, resources and expert guidance to assist full- and part-time faculty in improving the quality of teaching through the creation of a learning-centered classroom environment.

Contact tlc@clark.edu if you would like to take an on-line faculty development program.

Faculty Speaker Series

This program has been designed to showcase the work and expertise of Clark's faculty. You are invited to share your knowledge with the college community through a presentation that highlights your experience and expertise. Do you know someone who would be willing to share their knowledge or expertise? Nominate yourself, a peer, and/or a colleague by completing the application at:

http://www.clark.edu/tlc/faculty_speakers.php

Conferences on Teaching, Learning and Assessment

<http://www.clark.edu/tlc/upcomingconferences.php>

New Faculty Reception

We have moved the date and location of the New Full- and Part-Time Faculty Reception. The Reception will now be held on **Wednesday, October 29th, From 2:00 pm to 4:00 pm in Gaiser Hall 207 (GHL207).**

All new full- and part-time faculty members are invited to meet other members of the faculty and staff at Clark College enabling networking and building partnerships in support of student success.

Individual Consultations

To better serve Clark faculty, "the Center" provides one-on-one consultations on a number of different topics. All individual, faculty-initiated consultations are confidential.

TLC Book Exchange



Join the TLC Book Exchange. We have everything from fiction to non-fiction, inspirational to comedy. Bring in your well-read books to the TLC and swap them for something new.