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New and Returning Faculty Development Day—LAST DAY to Register!

Wednesday, August 8

Sign up for as many sessions as you are able to attend. Lunch included if you attend at least one session in the morning and afternoon. Register for all sessions here: [Link](#)

Schedule

- 9:00 – 10:15am: Course Design and Syllabus Construction with Georgia Kreiger
Learn about and incorporate best practices in syllabus development and course design. Discussion will include the Concordia University Global Ends and credit hour policy.
- 10:30 – Noon: Blackboard Basics with Susan Gallanis
This session incorporates recent Blackboard system updates. Learn how to add content, drop-boxes, and set up the gradebook for a fall course! Some hands on practice included. Please bring your laptop.
- Noon – 12:45pm: Lunch in the cafeteria.
- 12:45 – 1:45: Faculty Resources with Robert Hill
Learn what resources are available to you as faculty, where to find them, and who to contact if you need more help.
- 2:00 – 3:00pm: Active Lecturing with Jeff Schwehm
Learn strategies to maintain students' attention when you lecture including effective PowerPoint design.

Understanding and Teaching Generation Z Students

Thursday August 9, 2:00—3:00 pm in SCI 102

[Registration link](#)

This live webinar from Magna Publications is for faculty and staff. Generation Z is already here! Following in the shoes of millennials, this upcoming generation is ready to be recognized. This generation of students will be incredibly influential to how institutions recruit, educate, and work with students to stay current and attractive for overall enrollment. "Understanding and Educating Generation Z Students," presented by Tara Hart, EdD is a Magna Online Seminar. In this session, you'll explore the beliefs and perspectives of the Generation Z population and how these beliefs and perspectives affect them as college students. Specifically, this seminar addresses how Generation Z students differ from other generations.

Read more about this program here: [link](#)

Can't make it to the live webinar? Click here to receive a link to the recording (1-2 days after live program): [link](#)

How to Change or Create a New Program, Presented by Bernard Bull

Wednesday September 5, 4:00—5:00 pm in the Manor Ballroom

[Registration link](#)

Come learn about new and refined support, resources and processes for making academic program change and for proposing new programs (both credit-based and continuing education). Two institutional impact tools have been developed, one for new program proposals and one for program changes. The new program design, development and launch support process will be featured along with how and when to access and use the institutional impact tools. Many institutional tangles involving cross-unit communication will be resolved as we implement these tools. Faculty, including particularly program directors, department chairs and deans are encouraged to attend.

Critical Conversations: Curriculum in a Post-Christian Culture, Led by Bernard Bull

Thursday September 6, 3:30—5:00 pm in the Manor Living Room

[Registration link](#)

This session is for faculty. During this session, we will consider curriculum in light of the current culture, a culture in which Christian teachings are sometimes defined or framed as intolerant, irrelevant, bigoted, and even potentially illegal. What are the implications for what and how we teach? How do we prepare students for faith and life in such a context?

Concordia Faculty Scholarship Week is October 22 –26, 2108!

Concordia's Faculty Scholarship Week is less than three months away! This year, in addition to the Monday poster session, we added an additional presentation session on Friday on the Mequon campus. We'll have a similar event on the Ann Arbor campus if there is sufficient interest.

Here are the details:

- Abstract submission deadline is **Thursday, September 13, 2018** at 5:00 pm CDT; the abstract template is at this link: [link](#)
- The Faculty Scholarship Committee will review all abstracts and will notify authors by **October 1, 2018**
- A poster session will be held **Monday, October 22, 2018** in the Terrace Room on the Mequon campus (Ann Arbor location TBD); there will be snacks
- Presentations will take place on **Wednesday, October 24, Thursday, October 25, and Friday, October 26, 2017** in the Lakeshore Room on the Mequon campus (Ann Arbor location TBD); lunch will be provided
- This is a peer-reviewed event; it is a great place to get some feedback on your scholarly work, and to get a peer-reviewed scholarly product for your CV.
- All academic disciplines are welcome; we hope to have a strong representation from all 6 schools and a wide variety of departments and programs.

Contact [Julie Dresen](#) with questions.

What are Qwickly Tools?

Qwickly tools are now in Blackboard. With Qwickly tools, instructors can more efficiently open courses to students, send email and announcements to students, access the Needs Grading area, and create a new kind of assignment called Jot Assignment.

Here's the Qwickly Quick Start Guide: [link](#)

Need more help using Qwickly tools? Attend the webinar streamed from the Mequon campus on Monday August 20, 11:00—11:30 (Eastern). [Registration link](#)

August Blackboard Sessions—includes recent Blackboard updates

All sessions streamed from Mequon campus. Participate from your own computer.

Tuesday August 21, Noon—1:00 pm

Blackboard Basics with Susan Gallanis

[Registration link](#)

This session is for faculty and includes recent Blackboard updates. Learn how to log in and find your courses, add a folder, upload a document, create an Assignment ("drop box"), set up the grade center, open course for students, copy a course.

Thursday August 23, 3:00—4:00 pm

Blackboard More Tools with Justin Frisque

[Registration link](#)

This session is for faculty and includes recent Blackboard updates. Learn how to add more content such as web links, items, YouTube videos, Jot Assignments, and discussion forums. Learn how to directly submit papers to SafeAssign, edit notifications, send email, course messages, and announcements. Add the Panopto tool, color code the grade center, change course theme colors and add a banner.

Wednesday August 29, 11:00 am—Noon

Blackboard Assessments & Rubrics with Justin Frisque

[Registration link](#)

This session is for faculty. Learn how to create online tests using a variety of test questions. Learn how to create electronic rubrics you can attach to drop boxes and other assignments.

Many self-help tutorials are on our newly revised blog: [link to blog](#)

Did you know you can add programs you've registered for to your Outlook calendar?

Click on any event in the [master calendar](#). From there click **More**, then **+Add**, and click on **Download iCal**. Click on the download and you'll see the event you can save to your Outlook.

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"Love: Unconquered & Uncommon"

"In all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us.

For I am sure that neither death nor life, nor angels nor things present nor things to come,

nor powers, nor height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us

from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord." (Romans 8:37-39 ESV)