

FCTL Fall Highlights

In the news.. Director's Headlines

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FACULTY FOCUS

From Faculty Focus, this article provides an overview of an interesting piece of research concerning the use of Twitter (the popular micro-blogging service) in higher education.

Here's how a couple of educators are using Twitter:

Currently, We have a Russian instructor using it to tweet on every day activities. His students respond in Russian. It gives him a chance to correct mistakes and it gives the students daily practice in writing and understanding the language. Students from other universities have joined in to make it a very dynamic learning tool.

Turned a traditional assignment into a twitter assignment. Received more quality and quantity of student input using twitter.

To read more of this report, [click here](#)

POD cast Library

We are building a library of POD casts for the instructional community. These are available on iTunes and You Tube. [Access these resources now!](#)

22nd Annual Showcase on Teaching and Learning

Over 215 faculty and staff attended the event. Ten seminars were available, five in each of two sessions. Thanks to the presenters for sharing their experiences, research, and advice. Also a big thanks to everyone who attended and helped make this year's showcase a success! A special thanks to those who took the time to complete the questionnaire regarding their opinion of the showcase. We will use this information to improve on future events!



Funding

In the FCTL we have three new sources of funding available for part-time and full-time faculty members. These sources of funding will help you create a new course or transform an existing course, travel to teaching and learning conferences, or conduct SoTL research. [Read on...](#)

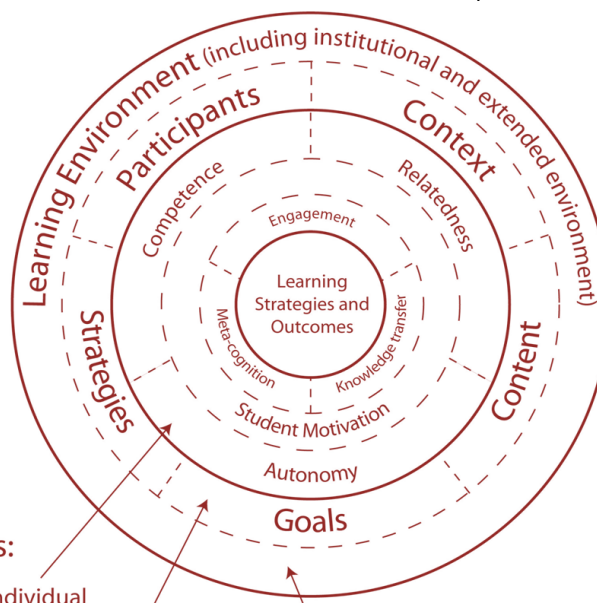


INTEGRATIVE MODEL FOR LEARNING AND MOTIVATION .

A Theory- Based Integrative Model for learning in Higher education. [Read More!!](#)

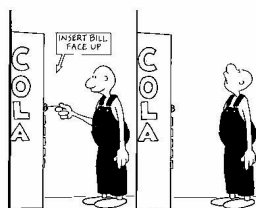
SOTL Conceptualization and definition of related concepts

In addition to the promotion of enhanced teaching effectiveness and student learning, the mission of the FCTL includes the promotion



Focus:
Individual
Program, course or group
Institution and beyond

Today I beat the Machine!



I never thought that a trip to the vending machine would challenge me to use my critical thinking skills and my ability to problem solve, but today it did!... [read more](#)

GA/TA Mentoring

The GA/TA mentoring are going well! New sessions will be available in the Spring. Look for more information in the next newsletter.

of the Scholarship of Teaching and Learning. But what is the Scholarship of Teaching and Learning also referred to as SoTL? In a recent [blog](#) and elsewhere on the FCTL website, I have defined SoTL and contrasted it with Good Teaching and [Scholarly Teaching](#). [Read more!](#)