

# CTL NEWS

*A quarterly from the Yale-NUS College Centre for Teaching and Learning*

## CTL Events!

**February 3, 2017**

**CTL Open House**

*4:00pm, CTL Office*

We will be having an Open House for our new CTL space (formerly the FSO space). Come by for refreshments, discussions and drinks!

**February 15, 2017**

**Making Lectures Engaging**

*12pm – 1pm, Programme Room 1*

We will offer a great lunch and a discussion of techniques to liven up a large class and enhance learning within your class via peer learning and other interactive techniques.

**March 22, 2017**

**How to Design Teaching Portfolio**

*12pm – 1pm, Programme Room 1*

The Teaching Portfolio is a key part of tenure and promotion at Yale-NUS as well as NUS-wide teaching awards. Come learn more about how to build these portfolios over lunch with colleagues.

**April 27-28, 2017**

**STEM Education Conference**

*Saga Lecture Theater/ Performance Hall*

Yale-NUS is hosting an international Education conference – with presentations from Yale-NUS, NUS and other educators about Science, QR and other innovations.

**April 28, 2017**

**Workshop and Lecture by Carl Wieman  
(Nobel Prize, Physics 2001)**

*Saga Lecture Theater/ Performance Hall*

Yale-NUS will host Nobel laureate Carl Wieman, who will present a workshop on how to promote active learning in the classroom, as well as a public talk on Scientific Approaches to Science Education. Mark your calendars!

## Happy 2017 and Semester 2!

Our Yale-NUS College Center for Teaching and Learning is looking forward to a great 2017 and new academic semester! We hope your classes have gotten off to a great start, and are happy to help you in any of your teaching. We can connect you to resources for your work, including funding through our Teaching Innovation Grants, or to books, articles or ideas that can help you teach better. Please send us an email to [teaching@yale-nus.edu.sg](mailto:teaching@yale-nus.edu.sg) and we can help you with a wide range of services - confidential class observations, course design consultations or just a conversation about how things are going in your class.

This coming semester will be an exciting mix of Wednesday lunches on topics that are alternating between CTL and ERT. Our CTL lunches include discussions of engaging lectures and designing teaching portfolios. Additional events will come at the end of the semester - including talks by some of our innovative colleagues at an international educational conference on April 27, and a visit by Nobel laureate and teaching expert Carl Wieman on April 28. We are also conducting a wide range of educational research projects at the CTL, and have been creating new publications for our community such as our Grading and Assessment document. Please stop by or email us with your ideas and have a great new semester!

*Bryan Penprase, CTL Director*

*Nancy Gleason, CTL Associate Director*

## Calling Proposal for Yale-NUS Teaching Innovation Grant

Teaching Innovation Grants (TIGs) allows individual faculty or teams of faculty to apply for funding up to \$5000 to enhance innovation in their classes (with or without technology) or to enable travel to educational conferences or for collaborative curriculum development. For more information, visit the [CTL website](#) or consult with our CTL team. Proposals are due on **February 10, 2017**.

## Peer Tutoring at Yale-NUS College

Peer Tutors are available in Science, QR, Econ, Spanish and Chinese. Let us know if you have a student that would make a good tutor, or would like help referring a student to our tutoring services!

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## Services from the Yale-NUS College CTL:

### *Confidential Teaching Consultations*

A great way to learn more about your class is to have an outside perspective. We can meet with you before your class to discuss your goals, and then after sitting in on the class can meet with you to discuss how the class went in a friendly, and confidential de-briefing.

### *Mid-semester Assessment*

Within Canvas are a number of pre-loaded mid-semester course evaluation forms. We are happy to help design, deploy and interpret feedback from your classes, to help you optimize your teaching!

### *Course Design*

At the end of the academic year we are having longer workshops to help you design your new course with our staff and visiting experts in teaching and learning. We are also happy to meet individually to discuss courses you are working on, and to make suggestions on crafting your learning outcomes and assessments, and aligning them within the class.

### *Showcasing and Publishing of Teaching*

We want to tell some of the stories of the amazing teaching going on here at Yale-NUS College. Let us know what you are doing in your class that is noteworthy! We are also happy to help you publish some of your teaching findings in educational journals.

### *Video-recording of Lectures*

These recordings can be a great way to learn more about your teaching! Let us help you get a student's eye view of your teaching; the videos will be kept private and will just be used for your own purposes.

### *Visiting Scholars of Pedagogy*

We can bring in some of the leading experts in your field to give talks on how to teach and design courses - email us with nominations and we can work with you to bring them to Singapore!