

CTL NEWS

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

CTL Events!

Judy Harackiewicz (U. W, Madison): *Catching and Holding Interest in the College Classroom*, March 23, 2016; 4:30PM East Core Program Room 1

Harackiewicz will discuss the psychology of motivation, grades and goal setting, and how we can use such psychology research in our teaching.

Brian Brophy (Caltech): *Intercultural Theatre Project*.

Lecture on *Theatre and Teaching*, March 31, 4:30PM, East Core

***Intercultural Theatre performance*, Friday April 1, 6:00PM, Performance Hall.**

Brophy is a renowned screen & stage actor, as well as an accomplished playwright and professor. He will share his insights on theatre and teaching.

April 26+April 28 - Teaching Symposia Sessions from CTL

The CTL is happy to offer three sessions on pedagogy at the end of semester. Both sessions will be repeated twice, and are offered on both April 26 (Tues.) and April 28 (Thurs.) at noon.

Session A: "Intercultural Issues in the Classroom"

Session B: "Students as Creators - Project-Based Learning with Media"

Session C: "Ed. Tech Sampler"

Happy Homestretch!

We are in the homestretch, and we hope your classes are going well! This semester has a number of very interesting events still to come. This includes a great talk by Judy Harackiewicz from the University of Wisconsin - talking with us on **Wednesday March 23** about *Catching and Holding Interest in the College Classroom*. Her talk will bring us the latest psychology research, and how you can use "interest theory" to engage your students and increase their performance. We also have a very interesting pair of presentations from Brian Brophy, a well-regarded actor, theatre producer and professor. He will talk about *Teaching and Theatre* on **Thursday, March 31**, and is working with students to create an "Intercultural Theatre" that will highlight issues of culture that come up in academic settings. This will culminate in an *Intercultural Theatre* performance on **Friday, April 1** in the performance hall at 6:00PM, with a discussion facilitated by Brian Brophy and Sara Amjad from the DoS office.

For more information see our web site at <http://teaching.yale-nus.edu.sg> or email us at teaching@yale-nus.edu.sg.

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Above: Jennifer Frederick, Director of Yale's Teaching Center, gives a workshop on *How People Learn* at Yale-NUS on March 4, 2016.

Upcoming Events for next year

Eric Mazur - Physics (Harvard)
Talk: "Confessions of a Former Lecturer" - August 22, 2016, 6:30PM, Performance Hall.
Workshop: "Flat Space, Deep Learning" - August 23, 2016, 4:00PM, EC Program Room 1.

Eric Mazur is a physicist and educator at Harvard University. Mazur's research is in experimental optics and condensed matter physics as well as interactive pedagogy. He is a world-renowned expert on ways to make lectures more engaging, and integrating peer learning into courses large and small. You will not want to miss his talk and workshop!

The CTL is here to help you and your teaching team! If you have an idea for an event, a speaker, or project, please let us know! Contact us: teaching@yale-nus.edu.sg.

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Peer Tutoring at Yale-NUS College

Peter 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.

More on our April Symposium Sessions (offered twice; 12PM, 4/26+4/28)

Session A: Intercultural Issues in the Classroom

In collaboration with the Dean of Students office, and Sara Amjad, we will be sharing with faculty some of the results from the Intercultural Dialogs conducted over the past year. Faculty will be able to discuss intercultural issues and how they have played out in their teaching, and work together on a few case studies developed based on actual student experiences at Yale-NUS.

Session B: Students as Creators: Project-based Learning with Media Assignments

Nancy Gleason and Bryan Revis (Educational Technologist, Tufts University) will describe the ways in which media-based assignments, such as podcasts, documentaries or short-video assignments, can help meet your courses learning objectives in ways that enhance the student's experience. Project-based learning allows the student to create knowledge and apply course material in challenging ways. t.

Session C: Technology Sampler

ERT staff will demonstrate some of the many useful technologies easily available at Yale-NUS that you can use in your class. The discussion will include use of clickers, ipads, wow vision, Camtasia, flipped class production and many other technologies to spark ideas and creativity.

Services from the Yale-NUS College CTL

Video-recording of Lectures: We are happy to help set up video-recording of your class, to give you a chance to view your teaching from a student-eye view. A new system known as Blue Orange (<http://www.blueorange.com.sg/>) has been installed in many of our Yale-NUS Classrooms. We can help you work with this system, and coordinate with ERT to get video-recordings of your class.

Confidential Teaching Consultations: 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.

Course Design Consultation: We are happy to provide resources or feedback to help you with class design. Backward Course Design, Assessable Learning Objectives, and Bloom's Learning taxonomy can all help. For more information - please ask us, or consult our web site at <http://teaching.yale-nus.edu.sg>.