

**What are Interactive Colloquia?**

The term *colloquium* takes its origin from the Latin *colloquī*, which means, literally, “to talk together.” Contextually, the term has come to describe informal academic seminars in which individuals, who possess an array of expertise and experience, meet to exchange ideas and insights on a variety of issues. The Interactive Colloquia series developed by the Center for Instructional Development and Educational Research serves to promote and recognize excellence in higher education instruction by calling on faculty from all disciplines to actively reflect upon their own practice, to critically engage their colleagues in discussions concerning pedagogical theory, and to openly share their effective, innovative, and transformative instructional designs and methodologies.

The colloquia offerings are facilitated by faculty from across the university, whose unique knowledge and application of pedagogical theory, learner-centered instruction, and the scholarship of teaching and learning provide enriching contributions to the larger community of practice.

We hope you will find time to join us for our upcoming events where we will talk together about those critical issues we face in leading undergraduate and graduate students toward habits of mind that encourage life-long learning.

September**Engaging Students with Problem-based Learning***Shelli Fowler, Learning Technologies**Jennifer Sparrow, Learning Technologies*

Wednesday, September 9

9:00-11:00 am, 1120 Torgersen Hall

co-sponsored with FDI

Linking Uncommon Curricula Through the Common Book*Joan Monahan Watson, CIDER*

Thursday, September 10, 2:00-4:00 pm

Smithfield Room, The Inn @ VT

Transfer of Learning*Peter Doolittle, CIDER*

Wednesday, September 23, 2:00-4:00 pm

Drillfield Room, The Inn @ VT

Exploring Dimensions of Civic Engagement*Jim Dubinsky and Michele James-Deramo, CSECP*

Thursday, September 24, 2:00-4:00 pm

Duck Pond Room, The Inn @ VT

Diggs Teaching Scholars Fall Roundtable*Tom Walker, Engineering Education**Ellington Graves, Sociology**Mitzi Vernon, Architecture*

Tuesday, September 29, 3:00-5:00 pm

Cascades Room, The Inn @ VT

Refreshments Provided



Information and Registration
<http://www.cider.vt.edu/colloquia.html>

October

Towards an Ecological Intelligence: Engaging the Common Book

Mary Ann Lewis, First Year Experiences

Joan Monahan Watson, CIDER

Monday, October 5, 11:00-2:00 pm

Location TBD

** Boxed Lunch Provided **

Technology and the 21st Century Student

C. Edward Watson, Learning Technologies

Wednesday, October 14, 9:00-11:00 am

1120 Torgersen Hall

** co-sponsored with FDI **

Motivating Your Students

Brett Jones, Learning Sciences and Technologies

Thursday, October 15, 2:00-4:00 pm

Smithfield Room, The Inn @ VT

Designing/Refining Group Assignments for Your Spring Classes

Marie Paretti, Engineering Education

Marlene Preston, Communications

Wednesday, October 28, 9:00-11:00 am

Location TBD

ePortfolio Panel: Best Practices in Assessment, Professional Development, and Learning

Marc Zaldivar, ePortfolio Initiatives

Teggin Summers, ePortfolio Initiatives

Wednesday, October 28, 2:00-4:00 pm

1120 Torgersen Hall

** co-sponsored with FDI and the ePortfolio Initiative **

Teaching With Our Mouths Shut

Karl Precoda, Religion and Culture

Kwame Harrison, Sociology

Thursday, October 29, 2:00-4:00 pm

Smithfield Room, The Inn @ VT

November

ePortfolios and eFolio-Thinking

Marc Zaldivar, ePortfolio Initiatives

Wednesday, November 4, 9:00-11:00 am

1120 Torgersen Hall

** co-sponsored with FDI and ePortfolio Initiative **

Taming the Three-Headed Dog: Using Participatory Design to Integrate e-portfolios into a Graduate Program

Lisa McNair, Engineering Education

Thursday, November 5, 9:00-11:00 am

3060 Torgersen Hall

** co-sponsored with FDI and ePortfolio Initiative **

Achieving Better Cognition: The ABCs of Writing to Learn

Laura Dulaney, CIDER

Wednesday, November 12, 2:00-4:00 pm

Location TBD

Teaching, Learning, and Assessing with ePortfolios

Kelly Parkes, Teaching and Learning

Wednesday, November 18, 2:00-4:00 pm

1120 Torgersen Hall

** co-sponsored with FDI and ePortfolio Initiative **

Assessing Essential Learning Outcomes with the “VALUE” METARUBRICS

Kathryne Drezek, Office of Academic Assessment

Thursday, November 19, 9:00-11:00 pm

1120 Torgersen Hall

** co-sponsored with OAA, FDI & ePortfolio Initiative **

December

Effective Practice / Reflective Practice: A Semester in Review

Peter Doolittle and Joan Monahan Watson, CIDER

Wednesday, December 2, 11:00-2:00 pm

Location TBD

Boxed Lunch Provided

The New Common Book Project

Joan Monahan Watson, CIDER

Mary Ann Lewis, First Year Experience

Thursday, December 3, 2:00-4:00 pm

Location TBD

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