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Riipen: An opportunity to pilot an experiential learning tool

We are excited to announce a partnership with RBC and Riipen to extend an opportunity to instructors who might benefit from a technology tool that helps integrate experiential learning opportunities into classes and programs.

Carleton is participating in a one-year pilot program to explore and evaluate the potential use of Riipen at our institution. Riipen is a collaboration platform for experiential learning between post-secondary institutions, educators, industry partners and students. The platform allows all parties in your ecosystem to co-create, manage, assess and report on meaningful experiential learning opportunities efficiently and effectively.

Using the platform, experiential learning opportunities can be embedded through in-class assignments or used to organize larger projects, such as competitions and challenges. The platform facilitates connections In this issue

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between instructors and community or industry partners and provides structure and tools for the implementation of experiential learning activities and projects. As part of the pilot program, we have access to a wealth of resources, including dedicated instructor support from Riipen to help you be successful in using the platform. There is no cost for instructors or students to use this tool.

Find out more about how you can integrate Riipen into your course here.

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**Call for applications: D2L Innovation Award in Teaching and Learning**

Do you take an innovative approach to your teaching, whether it’s through your course design, assessment methods or use of technologies? Then apply for a 2020 D2L Innovation Award in Teaching and Learning!

The award, sponsored by the Society for Teaching and Learning in Higher Education (STLHE) and Desire2Learn, recognizes innovative approaches that promote student-centred teaching and learning at the post-secondary level. Candidates do not need to be members of STLHE to apply.

Winners will receive $2,200 toward travel and registration costs for the annual STLHE conference, a two-year membership to STLHE and a certificate of recognition. As many as five awards are presented annually.

The deadline for applications is January 19, 2020. Get detailed information about the application process on the [STLHE website](https://www.stlhe.org). Interested applicants should submit their application dossiers to the Carleton University Teaching Awards Committee (CUTAC) at tls@carleton.ca for review by **December 7, 2019**, so that committee members can provide their feedback and help with institutional endorsement.

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**Register now for the Certificate in University Teaching (CUT) program**

Registration for the winter cohort of our Certificate in University Teaching (CUT) program is now open!
Facilitated by 3M teaching fellow, Dr. Anthony Marini, CUT provides a safe and supportive environment to explore new approaches to instruction. Over 10 sessions, you'll develop your teaching skills and connect with colleagues from across campus.

The program features a microteaching component and explores topics such as building effective assessment practices, managing both small and large classes and enhancing student engagement.

The winter cohort will run on Wednesdays from 1 – 4 p.m. beginning January 22 and ending April 1. Get more information on the program and register here.

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**Warning: TechSmith Relay discontinued at end of 2019**

As of December 31, 2019, TechSmith Relay will no longer be available to faculty or students at Carleton University. TechSmith Corporation is discontinuing all of its self-hosted Relay products, including its Relay Recorder (screen recording tool) and its mobile app Fuse. As a result, Carleton will no longer be providing support for TechSmith Relay services. A replacement screen recording tool is available to you as part of our new Kaltura Media Server. Kaltura is a cloud-based video platform that instructors and students can use to record and share video content.

The videos you have recorded in the past with Relay are stored on TechSmith's Screencast hosting service for people to watch. Screencast videos will not be affected by this shutdown and your videos will continue to be accessible in 2020. Over the next year, we will work with users to transition their videos off of Screencast and over to our new Kaltura system.

Find out more about the new Kaltura recording tool, the media server and the Relay shutdown here.

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"So, you're saying it wasn't already perfect?": A chat about program review with Food Science instructors

With support from the EDC, instructors for Carleton’s Food Science and Nutrition program hold an annual retreat to discuss 3-4 different courses and their relationship to the larger program. Everything is up for
discussion: they review and clarify the learning outcomes for each course; strive to align those outcomes with the next course in the program sequence and the larger program learning outcomes; and work to scaffold assessments within individual courses and, crucially, across the program.

Three instructors - Véronic Bézaire, Tyler Avis and Martha Healey - reflected on their experiences, individually and as a unit, at these annual retreats. Find out what they had to say here.

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**Nominate a student for a 3M National Student Fellowship**

Every year, 3M Canada invites post-secondary institutions to nominate their students for the prestigious 3M National Student Fellowship. This award honours full-time undergraduate students at Canadian post-secondary institutions who have demonstrated outstanding leadership at their institution and who embrace a vision of education that enhances their academic experience and beyond.

Awardees will be invited to the Society for Teaching and Learning in Higher Education (STLHE) annual conference in June, and will also receive an award of $5,000.

The deadline for nominations is January 31, 2020. Please consider nominating your exceptional students. Information about the award, criteria, and the application procedure can be found on the STLHE website.

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**Don't forget!**

- **Achievement Award applications:** The deadline to submit an application for the Professional Achievement Awards (PAA), the Contract Instructor Teaching Awards (CITA) and the Contract Instructor Innovation Grant (CITI) is Nov. 20. Get more details about these awards here.
- **Seeing the Unseen:** Please join the School of Journalism and Communication on Friday, Nov. 15 at 6 p.m. for a screening of "Seeing the Unseen," an Icelandic film about women on the autism spectrum (ASD) in Richcraft Hall Theatre. A panel including autism self-advocates
will follow the screening. The event is free and open to the public. Register here.