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# Apply for the Carleton University Chair in Teaching Innovation

Applications for the <u>2022 Carleton University Chair in</u> <u>Teaching Innovation</u> are now open.

Awarded annually to an educator who demonstrates teaching excellence and innovation across their academic career, each chair appointment is for a three-year period. The successful candidate will receive a \$45,000 grant (allocated in three annual installments) to undertake projects that advance the Scholarship of Teaching and Learning (SoTL) and student success at Carleton.

Applications are **due May 30** and should be submitted to <u>tls@carleton.ca</u>. Appointments begin on July 1.

<u>Learn more about the award and the application process here</u>.

#### **Call for Applications: OCUFA Teaching Awards**

The Carleton University Teaching Awards Committee (CUTAC) is looking to nominate faculty for the 2022

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Brightspace Support Hour March 8, 10 - 11 a.m.

Brightspace Basics March 16, 10 a.m. -12 p.m.

#### OCUFA Teaching and Academic Librarianship Awards.

The OCUFA awards recognize exceptional contributions to the higher education community and student learning at all levels of instruction – graduate and undergraduate teaching, continuing education and faculty development.

If you are interested in applying or would like to learn more about the nomination process, please contact us at <a href="mailto:tls@carleton.ca">tls@carleton.ca</a> as soon as possible. Draft applications must be submitted to CUTAC by **April 30**.

CUTAC will provide feedback to help strengthen your application and will help you solicit letters of support and institutional endorsements. If there are multiple candidates for a limited allowable number of submissions from Carleton, CUTAC will also adjudicate dossiers.

#### Celebrate Student Success at the 2022 I-CUREUS Conference and SaPP Showcase

Join Teaching and Learning Services for the annual <u>L</u>CUREUS Conference on April 5 and the <u>Students as Partners (SaPP) Showcase</u> on April 6 to celebrate our students' accomplishments. Hear from some of this year's program participants and learn about the projects they've completed.

Carleton provides experiential learning opportunities through I-CUREUS and SaPP that help students develop important academic and transferable skills. I-CUREUS provides an avenue for undergraduate students to conduct faculty-supervised research, while SaPP gives students the chance to partner with an instructor on teaching innovation projects and course design.

# Nine Experiential Learning Projects Awards Funding Through CUELF

Nine projects have been awarded funding through the second round of the 2021-22 Carleton University Experiential Learning Fund (CUELF) to create and enhance experiential learning opportunities for Carleton students.

We are proud to recognize and celebrate the important work being done by our colleagues across campus. Learn more about the recipients and their plans for the funding <a href="https://example.com/here/">here</a>.

Brightspace Gradebook Introduction March 17, 10 -11:30 a.m.

Zoom for Brightspace March 22, 2 - 3:30 p.m.

The Brightspace Community of Practice March 23, 1:30 -2:30 p.m.

5 Quick Ways to Make Your Course More Accessible March 28, 1:30 -2:30 p.m.

Brightspace Support Hour March 30, 1 - 2 p.m.

Welcome to My Online Classroom with Andrew Schmidt April 7, 10 - 11:30 a.m.

## Five Quick Ways to Make Your Course More Accessible

Accessible online courses are essential for removing systemic barriers to education. Come be a part of the inclusion solution! Join Teaching and Learning Services (TLS) on **Monday, March 28** to learn five ways to make your Brightspace course more accessible.

Key topics we'll explore in this session:

- Helping students navigate your course
- Structuring a course for clearer organization
- Adding heading tags for effective document structure and easy screen reading
- Using accessibility features in video
- Side stepping common accessibility pitfalls

In this session, we'll share simple strategies to use Ed Tech tools and effective course design to improve your course for everyone. We hope you can join us for this quick-tip session!

<u>Learn more and register here.</u>

#### Instructor Check-in: March

We've put together monthly check-ins for instructors to reflect upon at specific points during the term.

This month's check-in focuses on office hours, final exams, feedback and TLS support.

As the Carleton community continues to adjust to online teaching and learning, these check-ins can help you stay on track, stay organized and be proactive in solving any issues that might arise this term.

### Share Your Feedback with the Learning Spaces Team

At Teaching and Learning Services (TLS), we offer a wide range of resources and services in support of the university's teaching and learning activities, ensuring Carleton remains at the cutting edge in Canadian higher education.

Our Learning Spaces team, now located in D299 Loeb, provides front line support to instructors in the classroom. The team focuses on designing, renewing and maintaining learning spaces at Carleton to ensure

the best teaching and learning experience for instructors and students. If you're teaching a course on campus this term, we'd like to hear about your experience. Please send your feedback to tls@carleton.ca.

## Submit Your Textbook Adoptions to the Carleton Bookstore

The new term is fast approaching, which means it's the perfect time to submit your textbook adoptions to the Carleton Bookstore! The earlier you submit, the more likely it is the Bookstore has the textbooks your students need in stock in time for the new term.

There are five ways to submit your textbook adoptions: through <u>Discover</u>, the <u>online form</u>, <u>by email</u>, <u>by phone</u> or in person at the Bookstore (173 University Centre). Learn more about how to submit your textbook adoptions <u>here</u>.

If your course doesn't require any course materials, or the materials are available elsewhere, contact the Bookstore so that they can pass this information on to any students that may come looking for help.

If you have any textbook related questions please contact the Bookstore at 613-520-2600 x8115 or email textbooks@carleton.ca.

#### Don't Forget!

- 2021-22 Outstanding TA Award: If you've worked with a great teaching assistant (TA), consider acknowledging their hard work by nominating them for an Outstanding TA Award. The deadline for nominations is March 28 at 4:30 p.m. Learn more and submit a nomination here.
- Carleton University Teaching Awards
   Applications: TLS is currently accepting
   applications for four awards: Provost's Fellowship
   in Teaching Award, the New Faculty Excellence in
   Teaching Award, the Excellence in Blended and
   Online Teaching Award, and the Excellence in
   Learning Support Award. The application
   deadline is April 30. Get all the details on the
   awards and the nomination process here.





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