

March Newsletter

Top Stories This Month



Apply for the Summer 2026 I-CUREUS Program

Are you looking for a meaningful way to engage undergraduate students in discipline-specific research projects? Then apply for the summer 2026 [I-CUREUS](#) program.

I-CUREUS gives students the chance to gain hands-on experience and contribute to ongoing work in their field, building research skills and enhancing their resume along the way.

For the summer 2026 call, TLS will be able to fund approximately 50 I-CUREUS projects. Successful applications from FASS, FPGA and Sprott will be fully funded by TLS if the faculty member does not maintain any existing funding source, while funding for FED and Faculty of Science projects will be split between TLS and the faculty supervisor.

Applications are due Tuesday, March 31. [Learn more and apply here.](#)



Register for InspirED 2026: Carleton's Teaching Innovation Symposium

Teaching and Learning Services invites you to InspirED 2026: Carleton's Teaching Innovation Symposium on April 28 in the Nicol Building.

This year's conference will focus on the theme relationship-rich education - the power of learning through meaningful connections. Spend the day engaging in thought-provoking concurrent sessions that showcase ways to cultivate relationships that enrich our teaching practices.

The program includes two captivating plenary speakers: a morning plenary by [Peter Felten](#) (Elon University) and an afternoon plenary by [Bonnie Stewart](#) (University of Windsor), as well as panels and showcases, demos, booths and stations to inspire. Lunch will be provided.

Visit the [InspirED page](#) for a detailed schedule and [register today!](#)



Call for Applications: 2026 Carleton University Teaching Awards

Are you an innovative educator dedicated to teaching excellence? Or do you know an outstanding educator who deserves recognition? Teaching and Learning Services is currently accepting applications and nominations for four Carleton University Teaching Awards:

- [Excellence in Educational Leadership and Pedagogical Innovation Award](#): recognizes faculty members who demonstrate educational leadership and pedagogical innovation across an established academic career.
- [Provost's Fellowship in Teaching Award](#): recognizes faculty and contract instructors dedicated to sustained excellence in teaching, scholarship of teaching and the continual development of teaching.
- [New Faculty Excellence in Teaching Award](#): recognizes new faculty members who underscore Carleton's commitment to teaching excellence and innovation.
- [Excellence in Learning Support Award](#): recognizes the many educational support staff members who contribute to the student learning experience through their tireless work and support in labs, classrooms and many other diverse learning environments across Carleton.

The application deadline is April 30. [Get all the details on the awards and the nomination process here.](#)



Educational Technology Updates

Setting Changes for Sending Emails

A setting change in our most recent Brightspace update allows instructors to check a box when sending an announcement that overrides students' notifications settings. This setting will force an email to be sent to learners in a course even if they have emails turned off.

This can be a very useful tool that instructors can use for important announcements, such as snow days, class cancellations, exam changes, etc. [Learn more on the Posting Announcements support page.](#)

Upcoming Deletion of Migrated cuLearn Courses (May 2026)

In accordance with the university's data retention policy, which dictates that courses are maintained on the system for a maximum of five years, **all courses migrated from cuLearn to Brightspace will be permanently deleted in May 2026.**

To prevent unexpected loss of access, all users were unenrolled from these migrated shells in the summer of 2025. This was a proactive step to signal which courses were nearing the end of their retention cycle.

For more information, visit the [Course Migration Resources support page.](#)

Moving forward, TLS is implementing an improved communication workflow. Instructors will receive direct email notifications at several intervals prior to any scheduled course removals to ensure ample time for data management.

Nominate a Teaching Assistant for a 2025-26 Outstanding TA Award

If you've been working with a great teaching assistant, consider acknowledging their hard work by nominating them for an [Outstanding TA Award](#). Teaching and Learning Services offers up to five university-wide awards per year. Winners will receive a certificate of recognition and \$250. The deadline for nominations is March 31.

More News

- **Applications Open for 2026 Student EDI Research Awards:** Applications are now open for the [2026 Student EDI Research Awards](#). Students from all faculties can apply for funding to pursue faculty-supervised research on equity, diversity and inclusion from May 1 - Aug. 31, 2026. Two student awards are available, one undergraduate and one graduate, each valued at \$10,000. The application deadline is March 23.

Upcoming Events and Workshops

- [Welcome to My Classroom: Teaching with AI as a Technology of the Self](#), March 6, 10 to 11:30 a.m.
- [Assign2: Bubble Sheets for Multiple-Choice Questions](#), March 10, 3 to 4 p.m.
- [FeedbackFruits: Discussion on Work](#), March 11, 1 to 2:30 p.m.
- [Contract Instructor Orientation](#), April 15, 5:30 to 8:30 p.m.
- [InspirED 2026](#), April 28, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Don't forget we host [drop-in sessions](#) every Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday in the Future Learning Lab (room 483) from 10 a.m. to noon to help you with your course needs. Bring your laptop and any teaching-related questions you have.

Missed an event? Watch recorded sessions on our [Mediaspace channel](#).

[View all events](#)

