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LEARNING NEWSFLASH

Innovative Strategies and Tools to Enrich Knowledge

Teaching and Learning Collaboratory Announces New Scheduling Option in Addition to Workshops/Webinars

As faculty, staff, and graduate students we understand that your time is very limited and it can be difficult to take an hour or even a half hour of time to attend a workshop that is scheduled on a specific day and at a specific time. Because of this we do offer our [Teaching and Learning Video Tutorials Library](#) so you can review at your convenience. However, if you would still like to be part of a live discussion (in person or via webex) to review and explore some of the content in our workshops we would be happy to work with you to schedule a time on the calendar that fits best for you.

Below is a list of popular topics that the Teaching and Learning Collaboratory currently focuses on. If you have an interest in one of the topics and the workshop time does not fit in your schedule, please reach out to [Maureen Fodera](#) to discuss what topic you would like to review and schedule a time.

Pedagogical – Supporting In Person or Digital/Online Delivery	
Active Learning Best practices, benefits, and examples	Flipping the Classroom Best practices, benefits, considerations and tools
Creating Effective Multiple Choice Questions for Student Response Systems	Engaging Discussions – Get Your Students Thinking and Engaged with Your Subject Matter
Tips for Planning Your Condensed Course	Tips for Incorporating Digital Story Telling as Assignments
Considering Brave Spaces vs. Safe Spaces in Discussions	Tips on Ways to Engage and Motivate Students with Reading Assignments and Micro Video Lectures
Guidelines for Working with Online Approaches for an Online or In Person Classroom Format (Being Present, Organizing Course Intuitively, Framework for Learning Activities, Online Discussion Board Etiquette, Asynchronous and Synchronous Modalities – When Best to Use)	

Online	
Tips for Improving Online Breakout Rooms Note: This topic focuses on strategies to improve the flow of break our rooms. It does not review how to use the technology tool.	
Software Applications/Tools	
Tips for Creating Basic Excel Pivot Tables Using Excel for Windows	Tips for Creating Letter and Label Mail Merges Using Word for Windows
Working with the iClicker Tool – Student Response System	Tips for Working with Google Earth – Chrome Version

As a reminder, Rensselaer’s [Teaching and Learning Collaboratory](#) offers a wealth of information and resources:

- Teaching and Learning Email List which provides access to the E-Learning Newsflash
- Teaching and Learning Workshops in an in person or online format
- [Teaching and Learning Video Tutorials Library](#)
- Beta Classroom – a high technology testing space for faculty to pilot new or interactive technologies and pedagogical approaches that can be recommended as potentially rolling out to our on campus classrooms.
- Teaching and Learning Seed Call for Proposals
- Teaching and Learning Collaboratory Board
- Additional Resources such as suggested tools to support learning including iClicker Cloud which is a student response system technology effective for teaching in all modalities.

Please be sure to visit our website to get more information and to access all of the available resources: [Teaching and Learning Collaboratory](#).