Good afternoon,


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UPCOMING EVENTS

**University Teaching in a Time of Globalization: Language Challenges and Opportunities**  
September 22, 12:00 - 1:15pm  
If you teach in your second language or interact with students from a variety of language backgrounds, join us for an interactive talk about how to address these oral communication challenges. Learn what some of the related research says and share strategies for fostering productive teaching and learning experiences in a multilingual learning environment.

**Safer Spaces Workshop: Understanding Discrimination**  
October 6, 9:30-12:00 PM  
During this session, you will examine ways that unconscious or unintended bias can work its way into everyday interactions; you will analyze culture and identity to understand how bias forms and impacts relationships, and you will work through practical scenarios to develop language, responses, and strategies for addressing inequality and subtle bias in the office and classroom settings.

**Evaluation and Feedback in Large Classes Series: Join us for breakfast!**  
October 7, 8:30-9:45 AM  
Would you like to see your students better prepared for class? Would you like to have a better sense of their understanding of the materials? Professor Ken Ragan will address these questions by discussing the online assignments he designs to motivate students to read material before coming to class.

**Using Social Media Tools in Teaching and Learning**  
October 16, 10:00-12:00 PM  
From twitter to blogging, social media platforms can be effective in the classroom: these tools can increase communication skills, student participation, help link classroom experiences to the real-world, and facilitate collaboration. This workshop is meant for any instructor at McGill, from TAs to lecturers and Professors.

RESOURCE OF THE WEEK

**McGill's Teaching for Learning Blog**  
Join McGill faculty, staff and students in a conversation about higher education. Read the latest posts:
- [Writing a Syllabus for Graduate Supervision](http://bit.ly/XuqsUK)
- [Two great science communication tools for conferences and teaching: smart screens and cell phones](http://bit.ly/XuqsUK)
- [Welcome back McGill – Here’s some things you may have missed](http://bit.ly/XuqsUK)
ANNOUNCEMENTS

One-On-One Consultations Available!
If you’re teaching this fall and would like to meet one-on-one with a consultant to discuss myCourses, click here and complete the form. You can also review the documentation and videos on the myCourses learning management system.

Do you know how to use the AV equipment in your classroom?
Find out what equipment is available to you and how to operate it. Go to the classroom AV instructions tool to see photos of your room, a list of equipment, and step-by-step instructions.

- AV instructions for all classrooms
- View AV equipment videos

Academic Integrity
What are the issues of academic integrity that may affect your work with students? Learn about resources available and actions you can take to ensure that issues are handled appropriately.

Lecture Recording
The lecture recording service has been improved with two new features: easy viewing of recording statistics and an integrated student / instructor interface. Additionally, the sign-up procedure has been simplified. Follow these instructions in the IT Knowledgebase to sign up to record your lectures and make them available to your students.

LEARN MORE ABOUT

NEW: Teaching Preparation Checklist
Preparing to teach a course can feel overwhelming without a timeline of what to do when and an awareness of the resources available. Use the Teaching Checklist to help you find everything you need.

Copyright at McGill
Need help with copyright?
The Copyright Modernization Act gives the McGill community the opportunity to use many different resources to support teaching and learning. Do you have questions about what you can use when teaching? Give us a shout at copyright@mcgill.ca and we’ll help you find answers. Watch this space for a list of workshops and tutorials related to copyright and teaching!

How are your students using myCourses?
Watch this short video to learn about the user progress and tool usage reports available to instructors in myCourses. Find out: How often your students visit your course? Which of the course files they are looking at? Who has been active in the class discussions?

Scholarly Writing Workshops, Courses and more for Graduate Students
Graphos, the McGill Writing Centre’s graduate scholarly communication initiative, offers workshops, courses, and peer writing groups. Graduate students are also able to benefit from the MWC’s tutorial service. Please inform your supervisees about these opportunities for developing their scholarly communication skills.

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