This information bulletin is an initiative from Content and Collaboration Solutions and Teaching and Learning Services designed to inform you of upcoming events, and resources to enhance your teaching at McGill University.

FEATURED EVENT

Writing Symposium
November 8
Dr. Janet Giltrow, Associate Dean of Arts at UBC and internationally renowned expert on academic writing, will deliver a keynote presentation on how professors can promote writing as a way for students to participate in the research-intensive culture of the university.

Click here to Register

UPCOMING EVENTS

Safer Spaces: Aboriginal Perspectives
November 07
This workshop examines issues related to the inclusion of Aboriginal peoples on our campuses. The workshop provides historical and contemporary information about laws and policies, demographics, and cultural and economic realities.

Click here to Register

Register for the SEM conference
November 13
The Office of the Deputy Provost (Student Life and Learning) is pleased to invite you to attend McGill’s second Strategic Enrolment Management (SEM) conference. The focus of this conference will be student advising and graduate supervision.

Click here to Register

Universal Design for Learning in Higher Education
November 16
Faculty are invited to the upcoming symposium on Universal Design for Learning in Higher Education. Dr. Frances G. Smith will be giving an introduction to Universal Design for Learning and providing practical tools for implementation. If you would like to attend for FREE, McGill OSD has places available. Simply email heather.mole@mcgill.ca and do not sign up on the website.
**Introduction to Course Design and Teaching**

**December 13 and December 17**

Would you like to (re)design one of your courses and enhance your teaching skills? Learn about strategies that focus on enhancing student learning? Develop a course syllabus and exchange feedback with fellow faculty members and facilitators from *Teaching and Learning Services* in this 1 ½ day workshop.

**DROP-INS**

**New myCourses Drop-in Sessions**

Need a quick answer about using myCourses? Come to a drop-in session. Meet one-on-one with a consultant and have all your questions answered in this new series of drop-in sessions.

Dates: **Fridays from November 2 to November 16**

Time: 12pm to 2pm

Room: 1623 - 688 Sherbrooke St. West

You don’t need to register. Just drop in, get the answer you came for and you’re on your way!

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**On the Road to Paperless**

Today applicants to McGill graduate programs will begin using self-serve web tools to upload all supporting application documents, including unofficial transcripts. Referees will also upload letters of recommendation. Less mail and automatic document status updates will greatly accelerate and enhance the application process.

**TEACHING RESOURCES**

**Teaching Snapshots: Perspectives on teaching and learning**

Ever wonder what other professors do to keep their students engaged? Visit the Teaching Snapshots website and learn about McGill instructors’ thoughts on teaching and learning. New interviews added this month include instructors from Science, Arts, Education and Continuing Studies.

**Student Response System**

There is a new version of *TurningPoint* available [here](#). This upgrade is required for instructors planning to download participant lists for class participation grades. Also, you may:

- [Register for a workshop](#).
- [Register your course(s)](#).
- [Reserve clickers and receivers here](#).

Refer your students to the [FAQ for students using SRS](#).
Audio Streaming Databases
McGill Library subscribes to multiple databases where you can access and create links to hundreds of thousands of streaming musical recordings ranging from classical music performances, opera, ballet, and live concerts to Canadian 78 rpm and cylinder recordings.

Accessing from off campus: remember to use VPN or EZproxy.

ebooks
McGill Library provides access to more than 800,000 ebooks included in 24 collections on a variety of subjects ranging from Reformation, English & American poetry, Early Printed Books to Life & Biomedical Sciences or Theoretical & Computational Physics.

myCourses Videos and Documentation
Did you know that there are myCourses videos and documentation for instructors in the IT Knowledge Base? Use these resources to supplement in-person training; you can also refer to them while setting up your course content, grading assignments, monitoring discussions and class participation, etc.

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