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CTL WORKSHOPS AND EVENTS



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Blackboard Learn 9.1 has arrived

Blackboard was successfully upgraded to version 9.1 on 14 December, 2011. Are you ready?

Upgrade Information Sessions, Hands-on Training Sessions and Drop-in Sessions are scheduled to help you learn more about the changes and new features.

For more information about the upgrade and sessions go to

www.newcastle.edu.au/unit/centre-for-teaching-and-learning/blackboard-upgrade/

Academic development opportunities in February 2012

The Centre for Teaching and Learning supports teaching academics with continuing professional development through the Graduate Certificate in the Practice of Tertiary Teaching (GCPTT). We offer a series of workshops, which can be credited towards GCPTT or undertaken as part of an individual's professional development. The workshops for 2012 focus on current and emerging issues in learning and teaching. The workshops fall into three broad categories – teaching, designing and planning, and cater for academics at all stages of their career. We encourage and appreciate input from all workshop participants in sharing their own experiences and expertise.

The following workshops are offered in February.

• Developing deeper learning in students

1pm – 4pm, Thursday 2nd February, L259 Auchmuty Information Common, Callaghan campus

How can we structure learning experiences that inspire, activate and motivate deep learning? In this workshop you will examine the design of teaching and learning activities that link to assessment and the desired learning outcomes, and encourage students to approach learning at a deeper level.

• Developing and maintaining a great teaching portfolio

9am – 12pm, Friday 3rd February, L259 Auchmuty Information Common, Callaghan campus

A teaching portfolio is an important document that demonstrates your teaching achievements. In this workshop you will begin the construction of your teaching portfolio, or explore ways to improve your existing teaching portfolio. Please bring your current CV and portfolio (if you have one) to assist with this process.

• Making tutorials more effective

1pm – 4pm, Friday 3rd February, L259 Auchmuty Information Common, Callaghan campus

In this workshop you will have the opportunity to discuss and develop strategies to minimise common issues faced by tutors, and improve the effectiveness of tutorials and small classes.

• Developing assessment criteria

1pm – 4pm, Thursday 9th February, L259 Auchmuty Information Common, Callaghan campus

In this workshop you will examine best practice in designing criteria, grading standards and rubrics to enhance student learning as well as provide valid and reliable assessment.

• Making lectures more engaging

9am – 12pm, Monday 20th February, L259 Auchmuty Information Common, Callaghan campus

Engaging students in lectures can be challenging. In this workshop you will explore ways that will help you to improve student engagement and attendance in lectures.

Please register through [HROnline](http://www.newcastle.edu.au/unit/centre-for-teaching-and-learning/academic-development/graduate-certificate.html) to attend these workshops. For more information on GCPTT program please visit <http://www.newcastle.edu.au/unit/centre-for-teaching-and-learning/academic-development/graduate-certificate.html>

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• Online self-paced workshops

CTL have a range of self-paced online workshops to supplement scheduled and tailored sessions. Staff can complete these workshops at a time, pace and place that suits you. Enrol through [HROnline](#).

- Orientation to online teaching
- Introduction to multi-campus teaching
- Using discussion boards
- Creating video for online learning contexts

Enrol through [HRonline](#). Visit www.newcastle.edu.au/unit/centre-for-teaching-and-learning/teaching-and-learning-workshops/ for more information.

• Teaching Toolkit (2 day program)

9am – 4pm, Monday 13th February and 17th February, L259 Auchmuty Information Common, Callaghan campus

The Teaching Toolkit is a two-day program that will enable teaching academics to become familiar with the role of teaching and the curricular systems particular to the University of Newcastle. The Toolkit is recommended for anyone intending to teach at the university.

Enrolment in the Teaching Toolkit is required for all participants. Please submit your expression of interest using the [online form](#).

• Tailored workshops

Workshops can also be tailored to suit the needs and interests of faculties or schools. Please contact your Assistant Dean (Teaching and Learning).

Office for Learning and Teaching Grants (formerly ALTC)

Final applications should be submitted to CTL by 23 February 2012 to meet the OLT closing date of 1 March

The Centre for Teaching and Learning provides support and resources for applicants and, on behalf of all applications, seeks institutional endorsement prior to submission to the Office for Learning and Teaching (OLT).

The Office for Learning and Teaching Grants Program provides funding for:

- Innovation and Development Grants;
- Leadership for Excellence in Learning and Teaching Program;
- Seed Projects;
- Extension Grants; and
- Strategic Priority Projects.

If you are considering submitting an application to OLT, in this round or in the future as lead or as a partner, please contact Julie Moulton, Grants and Awards Officer, x16722 or Julie.Moulton@newcastle.edu.au, as soon as possible.

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