



NMC Professional Development Day

October 18, 2016

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Session One

9:10 a.m.-9:55 a.m.

NMC's Wellness – What's New for You?

This session will review the 2016 wellness resources and activities provided by Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan® and our wellness coordinator, Chris Barr. Explore the online tools, discounts, and mobile apps that can support your journey toward greater well-being!

Session Leader: Chris Barr

Location: HS100

"Can You Hear Me Now?" Providing Feedback through Moodle

Create community and provide feedback by exploring Moodle features like the instructor contact block and student introduction glossary. Use discussion forums, Quickmail, marking guides and communication tools to engage and motivate students.

Session Leaders: Mark DeLonge and Kay Harris

Location: HS101

Modeling the Molecular World: How to Make this Invisible World "Real" for Your Students

(Note: This is part one of a two-part session)

This workshop will address the misconception and difficulties students have with understanding chemistry and biology topics at the microscopic level. The hands-on use of physical models will occur. Other materials consist of computer visualization tools and molecular stories. The combination of these tools will help equip you to bridge the macroscopic and microscope gap for our students.

Session Leader: Pearl Kinney

Location: HS117

Book Discussion: *Make It Stick*

Come discuss one of this year's *CIE Reads* books with others who read the same book. Or . . . if you didn't read but are interested in the topic, feel free to come learn! We often get frustrated when learning something is hard and time-consuming, but as it turns out, struggle is key to good learning. This book provides background on the latest science about learning as well as practical tips for how to learn more effectively.

Session Leader: Dan Goodchild

Location: HS116

Book Discussion: *Mindsight*

Come discuss one of this year's *CIE Reads* books with others who read the same book. Or . . . if you didn't read but are interested in the topic, feel free to come learn! Combining brain science and psychology, this book looks at how insight into our own minds can be developed and used to change our lives.

Session Leader: Kristy McDonald

Location: LB208

Document Design & You: Applying Universal Structure

In this session we will help you gain the peace of mind to know that no matter what technology your students use they can access your documents. Join us and learn how to apply some universal design tips for creating Word documents.

Session Leaders: Sherry Trier and Michelle Schneider

Location: HS216

Your Class + NMC Academic Success Coach = Greater Student Success

What might it look like to partner your academic course content and subject matter with an NMC academic Success Coach? Would it be a more robust educational offering for our students? Academic Success Coaching is a hot topic of our day, offering the opportunity to improve student learning. Join in and contribute to a collective effort between NMC faculty and Student Development who are currently fleshing out the potentials and possibilities of this historically rich pedagogical reality.

Session Leaders: Steve Rice, Tom Gordon, Ashley Darga and Student Success Coaches

Location: LB207

Students with ADHD: Surviving the First Year of College

We will define ADHD in adults and discuss how the symptoms of ADHD affect adults with this disorder (e.g. impaired executive functions). We will also discuss how these ADHD traits affect the success of college students with ADHD. Finally, we will talk about strategies for ADHD college students to be successful and discuss what role faculty can have in helping these students succeed.

Session Leaders: Dr. Terry Dickson (Leanne Baumeler)

Location: LB105

Advisor Self Service

A quick look at the new web service for advisors that puts the student's information at your fingertips. All faculty and advisors are welcome.

Session Leader: Dan Gentry

Location: LB35/37

"It Lives!": Using Popular Culture to Rejuvenate Student Learning (Round Table Discussion)

In this open, round table discussion, Communications instructors Ryan Wilson and Mark Howell will explore the costs and benefits of using popular culture in college courses. Is it possible to turn something "fun" into something "fundamental"? Can a film fan become a philosopher? Is rhetoric part of automobile racing? Join Ryan and Mark for discussion, discourse, and discovery.

Session Leaders: Mark Howell and Ryan Wilson

Location: HS114

International Learning Adventure: Study Abroad to Greece May 2016

This will be a discussion of NMC's International Study Abroad trip to Athens, Olympia, Delphi, Mycenae, and Corinth, Greece. Faculty will share photos, drawings, videos, and experiences from the trip and how it relates to their courses. The session will include questions about the trip, the future study abroad opportunities, and information regarding the experiential component of the NMC Global Endorsement.

Session Leaders: Mike Torre, Jim Bensley, and Caroline Schaefer-Hills

Location: LB206

Session Two
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The Moodle Doctor Is In: Quick Tips and Tricks for a Healthier Moodle Experience

In this session you will learn quick tips and tricks to make your Moodle experience better. These tips will help you spend more time on your teaching and less time trying to operate in your Moodle shell. Want to learn at least five easy tips to make life simpler? Then come see the Moodle Health Professionals.

Session Leaders: Michelle Schneider and Justin Guillard

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Diagnosing the Gap: Think Six Sources

When students are struggling, what might be the cause? Are there ability gaps? Is motivation a problem? Are there structural barriers? This Six Source framework helps us think broadly about possible causes...and solutions.

Session Leaders: Dan Goodchild and Linda Racine

Location: HS116

Liven Up Those Lectures

Discover ways to improve lectures through brain research and concepts from Presentation Zen. Discuss how to cover content and add interactive student engagement without losing precious time. Dialogue with peers about ideas such as gallery walks, jigsaw activities, Quick Fire, maker activities and the use of case studies as viable options.

Session Leaders: Terri Gustafson and Kay Harris

Location: LB208

Curriculum Connections at the Dennen

A discussion with faculty who have recently utilized the Dennen Museum Center's collections and exhibitions for class learning, including classes in sociology, writing, and education. This session is meant to inform all faculty of the activities, objects, and resources available to them.

Session Leaders: Jason Dake with Rachel Wilczewski, Mark Delonge, and Sarah Wangler

Location: HS216

Create a Sense of Belonging and Increase Student Success

Research tells us that one of the most important factors in college students' success is their sense of belonging at their institution. This session will explore the factors students at NMC say positively contribute to their sense of

belonging, and provide you with strategies to implement in the classroom or with your everyday interactions with students.

Session Leaders: Lindsey Dickinson, Kristen Salathiel and Joy Evans

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Location: LB105

Learn to Communicate, Organize & Share in Google

Why? Because communicating, organizing and sharing all support student success! The event will cover specific techniques in Mail, Calendar, & Drive.

Session Leader: Alison Thornton

Location: LB35/37

Models of Moral Inquiry in the College Classroom

Participants will engage in a discussion of different models of moral inquiry in Social Science classrooms and college classrooms generally. We will discuss different conceptions of normative and empirical questioning. We will ground the discussion in specific examples from political science courses including courses in political philosophy, but participants will have a chance to see applications to their own courses.

Session Leader: John Zachman

Location: HS114

This Is Your Brain on iPads: The Impact of Screens on Reading and Learning

Findings from recent large-scale national reading surveys show a steep increase in digital reading (including coursework) done on laptops, tablets, e-readers, and smartphones. This session will summarize the latest research on “the digital reading brain” and the impact of different types of screens on student information retention, both short and long-term.

Session Leader: Ann Geht

Location: LB206

**Session Three
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The Role of Mindfulness in the Office and Classroom

In higher education, forms of mindfulness are not used as a spiritual practice but as a pedagogical technique for learning through focused attention/awareness or mindfulness. Research confirms that these practices can help our students succeed in a multitasking and multimedia culture. Come learn about some of the research on mindfulness, how to incorporate mindfulness into your office or classroom and how to create a personal mindfulness practice.

Session Leader: Kristy McDonald

Location: HS101

Math "Pickle"

Learn what a math pickle is and how they are used with my developmental students. You will also have the opportunity to work together to complete a math pickle.

Session Leader: Deb Pharo

Location: HS117

OER 101: The Basics of Open Educational Resources

Open educational resources are materials for teaching and learning--like textbooks, lesson plans, question banks, workbooks--that are licensed under Creative Commons so that anyone can legally reuse, revise, remix, and redistribute them freely on the internet or in print. Instructors can adopt OER in place of expensive traditional textbooks and students can download them for free. Find out how open textbooks can significantly lower the cost of college for our students.

Session Leader: Tina Ulrich

Location: HS116

Learning Communities – LC@NMC

In this welcome session to this year's learning communities initiative, you can hear the benefits and inspiration behind collaborating and learning through collective inquiry with previous participants. Join us to review existing learning communities and to brainstorm new topics of interest for this year.

Session Leader: Kay Harris

Location: LB208

Keeping Students on Track with MAP and PLANS

We will demonstrate how NMC students, staff and faculty are using MAP (My Academic Plan) and PLANS. MAP and PLANS enhance advising by helping students easily understand degree requirements, plan future semesters and track their real-time progress.

Session Leaders: Lisa Krupp-Wilmeth and Kim Schultz

Location: HS216

Walking in their Shoes: Steps to Becoming an NMC Student

You see them in your office or in your classroom, but how did students get there? Join us as we walk through the steps to becoming an NMC student. You will get an overview of everything students must do to be successfully enrolled in classes.

Session Leaders: Marcus Bennett, Linda Berlin, Cathryn Claerhout, Lindsey Dickinson, Sarah Mavis, and Sheila Rupp

Location: LB207

ADA 101

It's all about access. Together we will discuss best practices and share resources regarding the Americans with Disabilities Act. Bring your questions and concerns. Questions not answered during the session will be addressed individually.

Session Leaders: Leanne Baumeler and Peter Berg, Great Lakes ADA Center

Location: LB105

Google Docs, Forms and Active Learning

This session will cover Google Forms design features and demonstrate hands-on, active learning activities that integrate Google Docs within the lesson, including a brainstorming exercise and an exam study/review session.

Session Leaders: Mark DeLonge and John Velis

Location: LB35/37

Using Accreditation and Student Outcomes to Guide Your Program

This session will focus on the use of student outcomes and accreditation to continuously improve and update a program. The nursing and marine technology areas will be highlighted, providing insight into how course-level objectives support program outcomes.

Session Leaders: Laura Schmidt and Jason Slade

Location: HS114

From Combat to the Classroom: The Student Veteran Experience

Making any transition in life can be challenging. Moving from one lifestyle, such as a military or combat scenario, to a civilian or student setting brings with it difficult situations in everything from social interactions to handling the classroom environment. For the veterans who have chosen to come to NMC after serving, the transition from military to school is often cited as the most difficult aspect of getting a degree; however, schools — and individuals — can take steps to make that transition easier and ensure that the soldier finds academic success.

Session Leader: Scott Herzberg

Location: LB206

Creating Editable PDF Forms

Tired of having to delete the lines as you fill out forms in Word? Want password control on e-mailed tests? Fillable forms may be the answer. This session will introduce the basics of creating fillable pdf forms from Word files using Adobe Acrobat.

Session Leader: Alex Smith

Location: HS213

Session Four 12:25 p.m.-1:10 p.m.

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Location: HS100

Organizing the Information Flow

How do you manage the daily influx of information? In this session, participants will learn about technology tools that help organize, tag, annotate, and share the daily stream of information and news from email, websites, social media, and other online resources.

Session Leader: Terri Gustafson

Location: HS101

OER Exploration Lab

Whether you are looking to convert a whole course or just add some new materials into your curriculum, this program will provide you with a quick overview on how to find high-quality openly-licensed materials that you can reuse, revise, remix, and redistribute. There will be about a 10-15 minute presentation followed by free time to explore sources with the help of the Osterlin Library's friendly librarians.

Session Leaders: Michele Howard and Joelle Hannert

Location: HS117

Ditch the Dinosaur: Advance Your Assessment Technology

Scantron forms and scanners are antiquated assessment tools being phased out at NMC. This session offers an introduction to the Teaching Assistant application, a technology already available on campus copiers and printers that allows you to create and score exams and view valuable assessment-driven data in variety of formats.

Session Leader: Ryan Bernstein

Location: HS116

I Blew It! - Helping Students Recover from Integrity Glitches Jeff Straw

This session will explore the "Regret Clause" as an innovative and successful grading policy introduced recently at Harvard University. Could this be right for NMC?

Session Leader: Jeff Straw

Location: LB208

HELP!! I Need Somebody...and Not Just Anybody

This session will offer tools, tips and tricks for making the hiring process for students, supplemental employees, and adjuncts as efficient as possible. Bring your questions and best practices for sharing with the group!

Session Leader: Heather Hess

Location: HS216

How to Support Student Success Inside and Outside of the Classroom

A few short years ago, the offices of Academic Advising and Residence Life began collaborating on how to assist learners in achieving their academic, professional and personal goals. Come hear success stories and learn how this partnership has enhanced student retention and success.

Session Leaders: Taylor Nash, Cortnie Thompson, and Marcus Bennett

Location: LB207

Title IX - Its Implications in the Classroom

Join us for a discussion of what constitutes putting the college on notice when a student discloses information that may have Title IX implications. We will also review a recent Dear Colleague letter from the Department of Education related to transgender students and their rights under Title IX.

Session Leaders: Lisa Thomas and Paul Kolak

Location: LB105

Science/Math Learning Outcomes

This session specifically for Science/Math instructors will allow the department to revise their learning outcomes for the science and math courses.

Session Leader: Deb Pharo

Location: LB35/37

Electronic Portfolios for Students (Round Table Discussion)

Wanted: Instructors with interest and/or experience in developing electronic portfolios for student work. Please come and share your thoughts, new ideas, questions, experiences, and best practices. One platform that will be discussed is Mahara, an open source e-portfolio site currently enabled on NMC's Moodle website.

Session Leaders: John Velis and Marjory Smith

Location: HS114

The ABC's of Student Success....Together Supporting Student Learning

Learning Services departments will highlight new initiatives to support student learning. The Student Success Center, Disability Support Services, and Tutoring Center will provide updates and take questions about our services. Come join us.

Session Leaders: Leanne Baumeler, Ashley Darga, and Michelle Poertner

Location: LB206



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| 8:00 | Coffee, tea, doughnut holes--Milliken Auditorium |
| 8:15 | Welcome and introduction to CIE and PDI and this new day
NMC faculty and staff award recipients
Introduction to "Increasing Student Success"
Overview of the day |
| 8:45 | Travel to Les Biederman and Health Science buildings |
| 9:10 -9:55 | Session one (LB and HS classrooms) |
| 10:05-10:50 | Session two (LB and HS classrooms) |
| 11:00-11:45 | Session three (LB and HS classrooms) |
| 11:50 -12:20 | Lunch will be provided for all attendees |
| 12:25 -1:10 | Session four (LB and HS classrooms) |
| 1:15 - 2:00 | Collaborating Toward Student Success
(remain in Session 4 classrooms) |
| 2:00 - 2:45 | Networking reception--refreshments (HS atrium) |

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