

IOWA STATE UNIVERSITY

Center for Excellence in Learning and Teaching

2022 Winter Course Design Institute

Registration is open for the 2022 Winter Course Design Institute (CDI) (<https://go.iastate.edu/URTBDK>). The CDI is open to 40 faculty or staff with teaching responsibilities. All disciplines are encouraged to participate.

The CDI provides a space for faculty to build community, review effective assessment, active learning techniques, and overall course design. Attendees will have the opportunity to design or substantially revise their online or hybrid courses. The presenters for the 90-minute sessions 2022 CDI are Drs. Lesya Hassall (CELT), TJ Stewart (School of Education), Cristina Bonaccorsi (Department of Chemistry), and Monica Lamm (Department of Chemical and Biological Engineering). Topics include course design elements, building community, effective assessment, and active learning techniques.

This year, the CDI will be offered January 4-7. Each day will feature a 90-minute session discussing different components of online or hybrid learning environments. The sessions will take place from 9-10:30 a.m. each of those days and will conclude with an optional 30-minute guided discussion and individual, scheduled consultations.

Registration will be accepted until November 30 through this Qualtrics survey (<https://go.iastate.edu/AC5XPY>). Those who fully engage in the four-day CDI and complete a self-evaluation of your course (materials provided by CELT), will receive a \$500 professional development stipend from the Office of the Senior Vice President and Provost.

Congratulations—New QM Certified Course

Congratulations to Dr. Anne Kretsinger-Harries in the Department of English for her recent Quality Matters course certification. Dr. Kretsinger-Harries' course, SP CM 212: Fundamentals of Public Speaking. Learn more about Quality Matters certification on our website (<https://go.iastate.edu/IIICA>).

#CyThx

Who makes you feel like a valued member of the ISU community?

#CyThx is a collaborative recognition project from the Center for Excellence in Learning and Teaching (CELT), ISU Learning Communities, Multicultural Student Affairs, Student Government, and Graduate and Professional Student Senate

#CyThx Teaching Spotlight: Dr. Thimmasettappa (Swamy) Thippeswamy, Professor, Biomedical Sciences, College of Veterinary Medicine

Teaching Advice

Teaching is an art and a noble profession. I remind myself that I am constantly subjected to rigorous scrutiny ("on spotlight") by students. Thus, I believe, my behavior and teaching style impact students' learning outcomes. Students, per se, are not judgmental, but they evaluate my teaching approach, the standard of assessment, and professionalism.

Teaching in higher education in an intense research department can further pressure faculty and compromise teaching and assessment standards. Therefore, I remind myself not to lower the assessment standards to cover up any weaknesses that can be detrimental to the fundamental principles of my philosophy of teaching. I also frequently remind myself not to dilute the teaching principles by adopting "short-cut methods or appeasement."

Read all of Dr. Thippeswamy's advice on our website (<https://go.iastate.edu/YJDE4J>)

#CyThx Message

Dr. Thippeswamy is an undeniably valuable professor at the college of veterinary medicine. He serves as the instructor for first-year anatomy. . . This year, I have had the privilege of working as a teaching assistant under his leadership. This experience highlighted Dr. Swamy's dedication to students' success and willingness to go the extra mile for high-quality education. . . Over the semester, he dedicated many extra hours offering students support and made himself available for additional instruction. In addition to this, Dr. Swamy advocated for the success of his teaching assistants as well, providing constructive feedback and reminding us to prioritize our own studies. He continually made me feel like a valued member of the anatomy-teaching team. . .

CELT 2021 Programs (Nov. 11—Dec. 2)

Register for the events CELT offers below by searching **CELT's Upcoming Events page** (<https://go.iastate.edu/XABEDD>) or **CELT's channel on the ISU Events Calendar** (<https://go.iastate.edu/OOJIU>). Additionally, we can help register you by emailing celt@iastate.edu with your name, email, department, and which program you would like to be registered in. Below is just a small sample of our upcoming events.

Upcoming **Student Engagement** program: Meeting, Team-Based Learning Teaching and Learning Community, November 19 (1:10-2:30 p.m., Zoom or Morrill 2030) - Register here (<https://go.iastate.edu/X867AO>)

Upcoming **Mindfulness and Contemplative Pedagogy** program: Introduction to the Strolls for Well-Being at ISU: Press Pause & Take a Break, November 11 (11:30 a.m.-12 p.m., 3512 Memorial Union) - Register here (<https://go.iastate.edu/GUPKKZ>)

Upcoming **Technology Tools and Strategies** program: Facilitating Group Work, November 12 (1-2 p.m., Webex or Morrill 2030) - Register here (<https://go.iastate.edu/OW1WQI>)



Where to Find Support

CELT has a number of support options for those in need of assistance:

- CELT Open Labs (<https://go.iastate.edu/SQCTZT>)
- Email CELT (celt-help@iastate.edu)
- IT Solution Center (solution@iastate.edu)
- 24/7 Canvas Support (<https://go.iastate.edu/SPSFRI>)

Make sure you know what each of these options has to offer, when and how to utilize them by visiting the **CELT Support webpage** (<https://go.iastate.edu/BQIOSZ>)

How to Contact Us

Contact CELT via email at celt@iastate.edu or call 515-294-5357.

Questions About Teaching with Technology?

Connect with our CELT instructional designers for support or pedagogical consultations by emailing celt-help@iastate.edu. This will create a ServiceNow ticket for easy tracking.