

THE CenterPOINT Press

A monthly publication of the Center for Inclusive Teaching and Learning at UW-Stevens Point

Grants and Staff Support for Online Development

The CITL team is helping develop nine new courses this fall as part of ongoing Online Program Development Grants.

Ongoing Online Program Development

Grants this fall include:

- ❖ Doctor of Education (Ed.D.) in Educational Sustainability with the School of Education (two new courses)
- ❖ Masters of Music Education with the Department of Music (four new courses)
- ❖ Medical Laboratory Technician (AS) to Clinical Laboratory Science: Medical Technology (BS) with the School of Health Sciences (three new courses)

In addition to course development for ongoing programs and new individual course development, CITL is working with two departments to develop two new online programs this fall.

New Program Development

- ❖ The Department of Psychology was awarded a New Online Program Grant to develop an Online Undergraduate Degree in Psychology, that program is expected to launch next year.
- ❖ The School of Education was awarded a New Online Program Grant to develop an Online Accelerated Certification in Elementary Education Master's Degree program which is also expected to launch next year.



Individual Course Development

CITL awarded one Online Course Development Grant this term. **Ellen Meier** will be working with CITL staff to develop Psychology 480.

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Events

Book Group

Grading For Equity
By Joe Feldman
Sept. 30, Oct. 14 and 28

Safe Zone Training

(for Faculty and Staff)

Friday, Oct. 22: 1-3 p.m.
ALB 310

Tuesday, Nov. 16: 9-11 a.m.
via Zoom

Wednesday, Dec. 15: 2-4 p.m.
ALB 310

[Register to Attend](#)

Two More Units Complete Inclusivity Training

The UW-Stevens staff members in the **Student Health** department and the **School of Business and Economics** recently completed all sessions of UWSP inclusivity training!

The interactive workshop sessions that comprise [Toward a More Inclusive Campus](#) are required for all units/departments on campus. The training raises awareness of diversity and inclusivity, while teaching us to value diversity and understand how our experiences shape our choices. Participants learn how to be allies to underrepresented students and colleagues and to feel empowered to make change that enhances inclusivity. Departments can schedule training sessions by contacting Lindsay Bernhagen.

Share Some Pointer Praise

Are you aware of a faculty or staff member who rose to the challenge and/or has beneficially impacted others?

Consider sharing your gratitude for them anonymously with *Pointer Praise*. This CITL-created platform helps keep us connected by praising those who have made a difference.

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Use the *Pointer Praise* [web form](#) (also available on our [website](#)). Your message will be sent anonymously to the UWSP faculty or staff member you wish to encourage, uplift, and praise.



Mark your calendars for the

**26th Annual
UWSP Teaching Conference**
to be held on Friday, January 21, 2022.

Watch for a call for proposals coming soon!

The conference will include in-person and virtual options along with a student-presented keynote address.

Get Involved with FSGSA

The mission of UWSP's Faculty and Staff Gender-Sexuality Alliance (FSGSA) is to be a visible presence on campus and bring together lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer, and questioning individuals and their allies across all areas of the



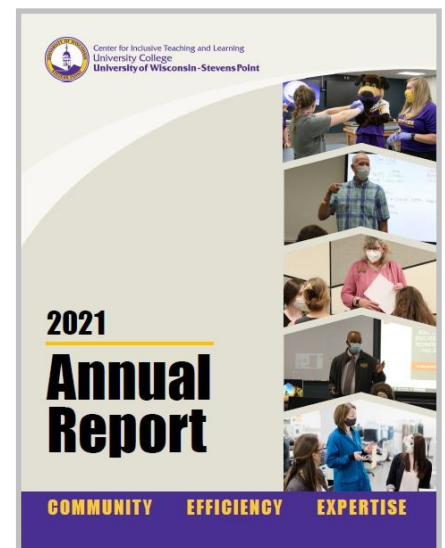
university for the purpose of reducing fear, prejudice, and discrimination. We educate members of the campus community on LGBTQ+ issues and promote a safe and open environment at UWSP in order to welcome, encourage, discuss, and support diversity.

We would like to invite you to join our group and welcome your suggestions for other activities and initiatives we might undertake. By joining our email list, you will typically receive 1-2 emails per month from the executive board with information on events as well as reports and meeting minutes. If you would like to get more involved, you can attend our monthly executive board meetings or join one of our committees as well! To get added to our list or learn more about our committees or the executive board, please contact us at fsgsa@uwsp.edu.

FSGSA Co-Chairs for the 2021-2022 Academic Year:
Brianna Burke & Shelley Auer

Annual Report Announcement

CITL's [FY21 Annual Report](#) is available on our [website](#). The Annual Report documents what has been accomplished and shares the view of how CITL resources, both fiscal and human, are allocated.



Is It Time to Reimagine Your Online Course?

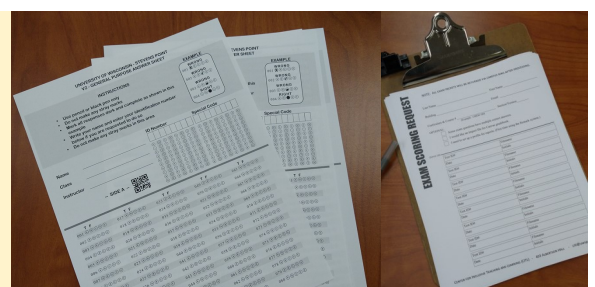
Online Course Design Institute (OCDI) sessions are not just for new course development, they are also a great opportunity to revise and update existing online courses. Faculty and staff are encouraged to attend an OCDI *either* to **develop a new online course** or to **update or revise a course they offered online**. CITL can help instructors incorporate what they learned about teaching online during the pandemic and use that to improve and reimagine their online courses. **The deadline for the November OCDI has been extended to Friday, October 8.** Participants are eligible to receive **\$200 in professional development funds**.

[Learn more and apply.](#)

REMINDER:

New Test Scoring Process and Forms

Instructions for packet submission are on our [website](#) under Services—Test Scoring.



October Critical Thinking Event

UWSP's new Critical Thinking requirement launches this year!

Learn how to employ critical thinking skills by attending the faculty presentations. Open to everyone. No pre-registration required.

October 28 | 6:30-7:30 p.m.
CAC 333

Dawn of the Shaun of the Dead

We'll look at films like Dawn of the Dead, Shaun of the Dead, and Zombieland to figure out what arguments they make and how critical thinking skills just might help you survive the zombie apocalypse.



Presenter:

Cary Elza
Associate Professor
Media Studies

School of Design and
Communication



Equity in the College Classroom: Educating Ourselves as Educators

Professional Development Conference for
Wisconsin Faculty & Instructors
Friday, October 1 & 15, 2021 - Online

Wisconsin educators (faculty, instructors, lecturers, administrators, etc.) are invited to attend the second [Equity in the College Classroom](#) on October 1 & 15.

Here are highlights:

Friday, October 1

Making a Difference as Educators

Elder *Ada Deer* (Menominee) in conversation with *Dr. Lisa Poupart* (Lac Du Flambeau Band of Lake Superior Anishinaabeg), UW-Green Bay.

Friday, October 15

Creating Community in the College Classroom

Facilitator *Lee Mun Wah* will guide conversations in race and equity.

The conference is free and online.

[Registration](#) is now open.

Campus Resource Document

The way we talk about equity, diversity, inclusion, and identity sometimes changes faster than any one person can keep up with. For that reason, CITL worked with members of Diversity Council to create the [UWSP Inclusive Language Guide](#) on how to most respectfully refer to and discuss identity. While several recommendations are made within the document, we would like to remind everyone that the *most* respectful way to refer to another person is using the language that they ask you to use.