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New Teaching Center Opens in Albertson Hall

Support of faculty and staff at UWSP will be enhanced as the new Center for Inclusive Teaching and Learning (CITL) opens on campus. UW-Stevens Point's new teaching and learning center, in addition to being charged with providing professional development to the entire faculty and staff, will also have an emphasis on diversity, equity, and inclusivity.

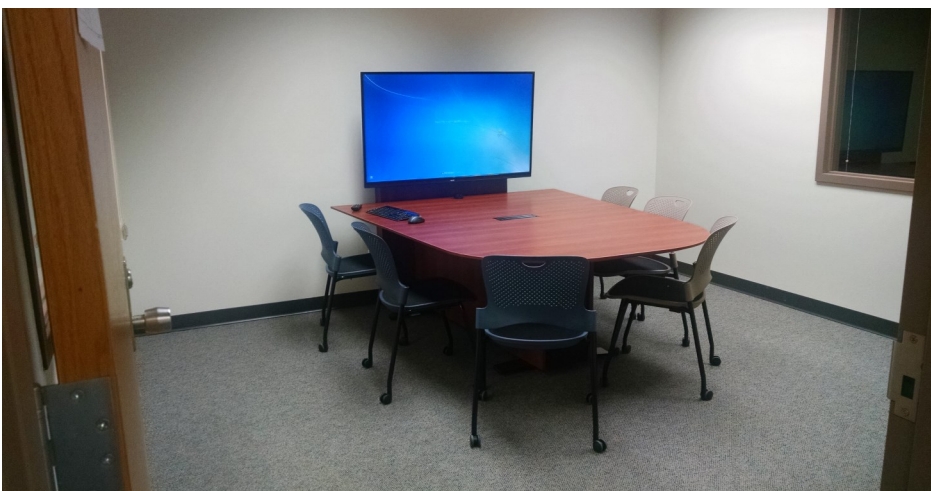
Located on the 4th floor of

Albertson Hall, the new Center offers research and training space, course development resources, test scoring and course evaluation processing services, support for D2L and other instructional technology, and a variety of workshops. The Center is open Monday – Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

As its mission states, the Center is devoted to providing opportunities for professional

and personal growth of the teaching and learning community and has, as the central tenet of its mission, the goal of fostering a dynamic campus committed to student learning within a culture of inclusivity and diversity.

Although students are not directly served by CITL, they are at the center of the focus for this new teaching center and will be its ultimate beneficiaries. The plan for CITL defines an innovative concept and process in professional development in teaching and learning that uses the principals of inclusion to strengthen ongoing conversations, research and training so that, as a campus community, we can nurture and guide student success.



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UWSP Teaching Conference
Tuesday, January 17
Albertson Hall

Spring Semester Workshops
Beginning on January 30
Albertson Hall, 403B

Director Hired For New Center

Dr. Lindsay M. Bernhagen has accepted the position as inaugural Director of the new Center for Inclusive Teaching and Learning.

Lindsay joins UW-Stevens Point from her current position as Senior Instructional Consultant and Coordinator for Academic Inclusion and Associated Faculty at the Ohio State University's Center for the Advancement of Teaching.



Lindsay Bernhagen, Ph.D.

Lindsay has a Ph.D. in Comparative Studies and a Master of Arts in Women's, Gender, and Sexuality Studies, both from Ohio State. She also possesses a second master's degree in Ethnomusicology and a B.A. in Music. She has an administrative, teaching, and publishing background in the scholarship of teaching and learning, with an emphasis in social diversity, identity, bias, and diversity issues in and out of the classroom, as well as teaching strategies and solutions. Lindsay joined UWSP on January 9.

New Teaching Center Website is Launched

The Center for Inclusive Teaching and Learning launched their website in December, www.uwsp.edu/citl.

The website shares information about services offered, upcoming events and workshops, as well as helpful resources and contact information. There is a service request button on the website to complete when you need assistance or have questions. Watch for updates and changes to the web pages as the Center's vision and direction are developed.

The screenshot shows the University of Wisconsin Stevens Point website. The header includes the university name and logo, navigation links (Giving, Directory, Site Index, myPoint, D2L, Web Email), a search bar, and a sign-in link. Below the header is a purple navigation bar with links for Admissions, Academics, Athletics, Alumni, Campus Life, and Community. The main content area features the title "Center for Inclusive Teaching and Learning" and "University College". A sidebar on the left lists navigation options: Home, CITL Home, University College Home, UWSP Home, About CITL, Resources, Services, Teaching Conference, Training Sessions, and Workshops. The main content area displays a photograph of a group of people in a classroom setting and a "Welcome!" message. Below the photo, a text box reads: "The NEW Center for Inclusive Teaching and Learning (CITL) is open on the fourth floor of Albertson Hall. The Center is first and foremost, a comprehensive professional development center for the entire campus, serving both faculty and staff. Secondly, CITL is guided by a sincere commitment to inclusivity, diversity, and equity in all its professional development activities. The CITL provides information on teaching methods and technology."

Services Offered by the Center

Workshops

Group workshops are offered each semester on a variety of topics. All training workshops are scheduled for one hour. Attendees are free to come late or leave early as their schedules require. Work time will be provided during each session, so feel free to bring course materials with you. See page 4 for details on the Spring semester workshops.

Training Sessions

In addition to group workshops on various topics, the Center for Inclusive Teaching and Learning (CITL) offers one-on-one training for faculty and staff on instructional technology tools. Please feel free to inquire about assistance with any technology or software. A team member can offer individual training and assistance in your office, our office or during classroom instruction.

Online Course Design (Instructional Design)

Assistance is available to help instructors design new online courses, modify/update existing online courses and work through problems that develop during online instruction. Please contact online@uwsp.edu or citl@uwsp.edu for help and guidance with your online course.

Individual and Unit Consultations

CITL team members are available to discuss any aspect of teaching; such as designing courses, enhancing classroom techniques, developing course materials and documenting teaching effectiveness. Team members also consult with representatives of units; such as committees, departments, schools or colleges on teaching-related issues like planning a teaching initiative within the unit, revising curricula, or evaluating a program.

D2L Brightspace

The Center offers group training workshops on D2L, and a CITL team member can meet with you one-on-one for a more in-depth session tailored to your specific needs. Please contact us to schedule a time to learn more about D2L Brightspace.

Scantron Test Scoring

Test / Quiz / Exam scoring is offered as a quick turnaround, free service for instructors at UWSP. You can expect to receive an email with results within 48 hours of drop-off of your test packet. Tests must be delivered in person to 403 Albertson Hall. The office hours are 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, and there is an after-hours drop slot right outside the main office door. You will receive an automated email from CITL containing your test results.

Contact the CITL: citl@uwsp.edu

Meet the Team

The Center's support team, Sean, Eric and Sara, are available to assist faculty and staff members with inquiries regarding professional development, workshops, technology, software support and services.

Eric Simkins

Distance Education Program Manager

Eric manages the UWSP Online website and state authorizations for distance education. He provides instructional design support and technology support for instructors.

Sara Olsen

Program Associate

Sara manages web development, marketing, social media, purchasing and scheduling for the Center.

Sean Ruppert

Instructional Technology Support Specialist

Sean supports D2L Brightspace, Turnitin.com, Kaltura, Qualtrics, test scoring and course evaluations.



Eric, Sara and Sean

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Attend a Variety of Spring Semester Workshops

All UWSP faculty and staff are encouraged to participate in the spring semester workshops. An online registration link will be emailed soon to faculty and staff members. Topics for the upcoming sessions are:

1. Library Resources
2. D2L Question Import Tool
3. Synchronous Online Instruction
4. Video/Audio Recording
5. Enhancing PowerPoint with Mix
6. Beginning The Online Course Design Process
7. Qualtrics
8. Copyright in the Digital Environment
9. Engaging Ideas for Online Instruction
10. Microsoft Sway
11. Microsoft OneNote
12. Facilitating Effective Online Discussions
13. New in The Innovation Space
14. Screen Capture
15. Designing Courses to promote positive student behavior/interaction (building a positive and inclusive online community)

“Diversity is the one true thing we all have in common. Celebrate it every day.”

-author unknown

As We Move Forward

The Center for Inclusive Teaching and Learning is new, and will continue to develop as the Center’s objectives are carried out and as the needs of faculty and staff grow and change.

Some of the first steps for the Center include assembling an Advisory Board and a Planning Committee. Details on the initiatives from the Planning Committee will be shared with UWSP faculty and staff in future issues of this monthly newsletter. Faculty or staff members interested in serving on the Advisory Board should email the Center at citl@uwsp.edu.

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The number of tests scored at the Center during Fall finals in December.

