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Abstract

Updates on training and support and useful pedagogical resources compiled and sent by the JCCTL on September 12, 2022.

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Colleagues-

Welcome to week 3 of the semester! We are co-hosting some on-campus events in the near future I'm really excited about, and our first JCCTL grant due dates are drawing near. A sincere "Thank You" to our colleagues in the Center for Public Service and Musselman Library for being such terrific collaborators. Please see below for details.

As always, please reach out to jcctl@gettysburg.edu if you have question or comments. Thank you!

Josef

In very exciting news, **Dr. Robin Wall Kimmerer** is visiting campus on September 19th. During this visit, JCCTL and CPS are excited to co-sponsor a discussion with Dr. Kimmerer and are inviting you to engage with her in a more intimate, discussion-based setting. Please see below for a brief bio of Dr. Kimmerer.

The topics of both the lecture and discussion are below. In the discussion, we only have space for 30 participants, so please RSVP if you are interested in attending. **We do ask attendees to be prepared by engaging with Dr. Kimmerer's work prior to her visit. Unlimited e-copies of *Braiding Sweetgrass* are available through the Musselman Library.** Dr. Kimmerer is also a [frequent guest on podcasts](#); we recommend the episode from *On Being* with Krista Tippett.

Lecture – The Honorable Harvest – 9/19 , 7:00 pm - CUB Ballroom

In this talk, Dr. Kimmerer will offer examples of how indigenous philosophy and practices might contribute to a transformation in how we view our relationship to consumption and move us away from a profoundly dishonorable relationship with the Earth

Discussion – 9/19, 4 pm (again, limit to 30 people; please [RSVP](#))

Robin Wall Kimmerer is a mother, scientist, decorated professor, and member of the Citizen Potawatomi Nation. Her book *Braiding Sweetgrass: Indigenous Wisdom, Scientific Knowledge,*

and the Teachings of Plants, has much to offer us as teachers of college students and as citizens of this place. In this discussion, we will consider questions such as: If we are not from this place, can we nevertheless enter into the deep reciprocity that renews the world? The land? Adams County? If so, who are our teachers? And how will that affect our teaching?

Open Textbooks: Access, Affordability, Inclusion, and Academic Success

With Janelle Wertzberger and Mary Elmquist of Musselman Library
Tuesday, September 27, 4:00-5:00 pm; Library 018 (with virtual option)

Are you curious about how a textbook choice can influence students' sense of belonging and their academic success?

Open textbooks are full, real textbooks used by many professors here at Gettysburg and across the U.S. They are completely free to access online and also free of most copyright restrictions, meaning it's legal to copy, share, edit, mix, keep and use those materials. Adopting an open textbook ensures that all students have immediate access to a zero-cost book and provides faculty 100% control over their learning materials. Attend this workshop to learn more about how an open textbook may align with your learning goals and commitment to inclusion and belonging.

After the workshop, participants will be invited to write a short review of an open textbook they might assign in a course (please note: open textbooks are not available for all subjects). Your review will be shared in the [Open Textbook Library](#) so it may benefit other faculty considering open textbooks. Eligible workshop participants who write a review will receive a \$200 incentive, payable upon receipt of the review.

Register now – registration deadline is September 26, 2022.

If you have questions about this workshop or open textbooks, please contact Mary Elmquist or Janelle Wertzberger.

(This workshop is supported by the Johnson Center for Creative Teaching & Learning and Friends of Musselman Library.)

Upcoming grant due dates:

Are you interested in a small-group collaboration on semester- or year-long pedagogical project?
Perhaps a [Campus Working Group](#) is what will help get your project running? (Proposals due 9/30)

The [Johnson Teaching Grant](#) provides support up to \$1000.00 for the development of innovative and creative teaching projects designed to benefit one or more specific courses. (Proposals due 10/14)

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