Pedagogical Games for the Social Sciences and Beyond

Presented by: Dr. Vidya Nadkarni, Professor of Political Science and Dr. Emily Edmonds-Poli, Associate Professor of Political Science

Tuesday, November 5, 2013
12:15 to 2:15 p.m., KIPJ-I

Are you looking for new and interactive ways to teach students important analytical concepts? This workshop provides some ideas for using pedagogical games to illustrate concepts such as how structure (social, political, economic, environmental) and capabilities (wealth, power, resources) shape action; and how cultural values and circumstances affect identity and rational decision-making. We will introduce and play the games and discuss how they can help create an experiential framework that encourages students to contemplate how the world works. RSVP Here

Changemaker Faculty Exchange: Distinguishing Entrepreneurs and Artists

Presenters: Ryan Scrimger, Adjunct Assistant Professor, Theatre and Arts and Performance Studies

Thursday, November 21, 2013
12:15 – 2:15 p.m., KIPJ- H & I

We spend enormous energy encouraging the amazing ideas and skyscraping dreams of our students. How are we giving these dreamers the practical tools to make effective and strategic decisions to increase their market viability? How are we reaching beyond practical strategies to keep our entrepreneurs in touch with their visionary selves?

From her years in both arts and business, Ryan Scrimger, Adjunct Assistant Professor of Theatre will distinguish parallels between entrepreneurs and artists. Teaching USD’s Theatre Management and Entrepreneurship and the core class, Theatre and Society, she engages students from both fields to ignite awareness of their own potential for achieving business success and personal fulfillment. RSVP Here
Award Announcement for Innovation in Experiential Teaching & Civic Engagement

The Experiential Education Committee (EEC) has a longstanding tradition of recognizing faculty excellence in a diversity of experiences including service learning, internships, classroom simulations, and research. One of the committee’s most visible duties was to oversee the “Innovation in Experiential Education Award” that has recognized outstanding student-centered experiential education since 2002. There have been many changes on campus since the EEC was established. For example, we now have the CEE and an Office of Undergraduate Research! With these changes came an opportunity to restructure the committee and recognize not only innovation in experiential education but also, more broadly, community engagement.

The newly established University-wide Committee on Innovation in Community Engagement (CICE) will replace the EEC committee. The CICE’s charge is to support and recognize faculty from all disciplines as they engage the community in a meaningful and sustainable ways. In 2014, CICE will sponsor a new award titled “Innovation in Community Engagement Award”. More to come on this in December’s newsletter!

CICE’s new focus on community engagement and CEE’s expertise in in-class pedagogical excellence is a powerful combination that should provide faculty with a clear support structure for all their activities. Going forward, CEE will host the pedagogically focused “Innovation in Experiential Education Award” as it more closely aligns with their mission in supporting pedagogical excellence.

The Committee on Innovation in Community Engagement looks forward to working with faculty from all disciplines in order to support (and recognize) your innovative community-based projects.

November SoTL Scholar

Dr. Emily Reimer-Barry, Assistant Professor of Theology and Religious Studies, has been a member of the Scholarship of Teaching and Learning Writing Group for one year. Her interests include feminist pedagogy, ethnography, service learning, moral development in the ethics classroom, and mission in Catholic higher education. She presented a conference paper, "Fostering Moral Development in the Undergraduate Theology Classroom: Immersion, Community Service Learning, and Deep Learning Through Engaged Reflection" at the 10th Annual Action Research Conference (SOLES, USD) in May 2013, and is currently writing an undergraduate textbook entitled HIV/AIDS and Christian Ethics: Understanding and Responding to the Global Pandemic.

Campus Assault Resources and Education (C.A.R.E.) is USD’s primary effort to provide support, resources and education to the student community pertaining to sexual assault and sexual exploitation. National statistics show that between 20-25% of women and 3% of men will be sexually assaulted during their college careers.

In your role as a faculty member and mentor, you have an opportunity to provide support for students in a unique way. Visit the C.A.R.E. website (www.sandiego.edu/care) and click on “Get Involved” to learn ways to offer support to students impacted by sexual assault.

Advocates are available to provide direct support to students and can be reached by calling (619) 260-2222 (24 hours, 7 days a week). When you call, ask to speak to a C.A.R.E. Advocate or Public Safety representative. Advocates can also be reached at their on campus offices or via email.
Fabulous First Friday: Re-engaging the Disengaged: In and Out of the Classroom Strategies to Help all Students Succeed

Facilitated by:
Dr. Neena Din, Assistant Dean, College of Arts and Sciences
Sara Boquin, Director, Student Support Services
Dr. Evelyn Kirkley, Associate Professor, Theology & Religious Studies

Friday, November 1, 2013
9:30 - 11:30 a.m., MRH (SOLES) 135

College professors yearn for academically interested students — students who are actively participating in the course material and enthusiastically engaged in their education. But not all students are like that. Whether it is because they are disengaged with the course material, under prepared, feeling excluded in the classroom climate, or have learning disabilities, many of our students clearly are not engaged.

Come join us for this two-hour drop in session where we will discuss strategies and issues to consider when attempting to engage this population of students. Dr. Evelyn Kirkley from the department of Theology and Religious Studies, Dr. Neena Din, Assistant Dean in the College of Arts and Sciences, and Sara Boquin, Director of Student Support Services will be the facilitators for this very important conversation. RSVP Here

CEE & ATS Tech Talk: Avoiding Plagiarism

Amy Besnoy, Associate Professor, Copley Library
Dr. Ami Carpenter, Assistant Professor, School of Peace Studies
Dr. Matt Zwolinski, Associate Professor, Philosophy

Friday, November 22, 2013
2:00-3:00 p.m., MRH (SOLES) 133

Join us as professors Ami Carpenter, Matt Zwolinski, and Amy Besnoy share information about their various experiences with plagiarism prevention technology in their courses. The session will include pedagogy and procedures around plagiarism using scanning software (Turnitin) as well as tips for structuring assignments to prevent plagiarism.

Tech Talks are opportunities for USD faculty and staff members to gather for one hour to learn about a teaching technology from other faculty showcasing their innovations. Factors to consider in adopting the technology are also often discussed. RSVP Here

NIH Fundamentals: An overview of the grant process

Michelle Totoris, Office of Sponsored Programs
Dr. Cynthia Connelly, Director of Nursing Research
Dr. Timothy Clark, Assistant Professor, Chemistry

Monday November 11, 2013
from 1:00 to 2:30 p.m., UC 128

National Institutes of Health funded USD faculty will join Michelle Totoris from the Office of Sponsored Programs to discuss the basics of NIH proposal development and submission. RSVP Here

The presentation will include:
- An overview of the NIH including its mission, institutes, and funding focus.
- Where to locate funding opportunities.
- Basics of NIH proposal preparation and submission.
- NIH funding paths: From pre-doctoral fellowships to large scale research projects.
Be sure to check out these November events related to 2013-2014 USD Just Read! *The Ghost Map*

These events are open to everyone (faculty, staff, students, and guests)

**Sewers and Social Justice: An Interdisciplinary Conversation on The Ghost Map**

- **Monday, November 4, 2013**
- **11:15 a.m. to 1:15 p.m., Salomon Hall**
- Hosted by: Dr. Sue Lowery, Professor, Biology
- A panel of faculty experts will share the relevance of Johnson’s work and the circumstances surrounding the 1854 cholera outbreak through the lens of their various disciplines. Ample time will be given for questions and discussion. [RSVP Here](#)

**Biology Departmental Seminar: *Vibrio cholera***

- **Presented by:** Dr. Finat Yildiz, UC Santa Cruz
- **Friday, November 8, 2013**
- **12:20 to 1:20 p.m., KIPJ Theatre**
- [RSVP Here](#)

**USD Just Read! Interdisciplinary Panel Discussion The Ghost Map**

- **Moderator:**
  - Dr. Sue Lowery, Professor, Biology
- **Panelists:**
  - Dr. Harriet Baber, Professor, Philosophy
  - Dr. Adina Batnitzky, Assistant Professor, Sociology
  - Dr. Stephen Conroy, Professor, Economics
    - Director, The Center for Peace and Commerce
  - Dr. Bethany O’Shea, Assistant Professor, Marine Science and Environmental Studies
- **Friday, November 8, 2013**
- **3:00 - 5:00 p.m., Salomon Hall**
- A panel of faculty experts will share the relevance of Johnson’s work and the circumstances surrounding the 1854 cholera outbreak through the lens of their various disciplines. Ample time will be given for questions and discussion. [RSVP Here](#)

**USD Just Read! *The Ghost Map***

**Film Screening and Discussion**

**Cadillac Desert, Water and the Transformation of Nature: Last Oasis**

- **Discussion facilitated by:** Dr. Colin Fisher, Sustainability LLC Director and Associate Professor, History
- **Tuesday, November 12, 2013**
- **5:00 - 7:00 p.m., UC 129 (Outdoor Adventures)**
- *Last Oasis* is the final film of a four-part series about the struggle for water in the modern American West. This session focuses on the global impact of the technologies and policies demonstrating how they have created the need for conservation methods that will protect Earth’s water for the next century. [RSVP Here](#)
- Special thanks to our cosponsors Outdoor Adventures and the Office of Sustainability.