Events and Seminars

* Winners of 2008 Australian Learning and Teaching Council’s citations for ‘Outstanding Contributions to Student Learning’ are shown with an asterisk.

Monday

Skilling clinical teachers to maximise undergraduate nursing student clinical experiences
Bankstown, 12-1pm, Room BA-20.0.34
Ms Lyn Stewart*

Research-teaching nexus: Translating research in teaching and learning to scholarly output
Campbelltown, 12-1pm, Room CA-05.2.04 Cont. 7.88 Dr Yenna Salamonson

Overcoming challenges in teaching and learning: The use of a virtual health assessment for nursing students
Hawkesbury, 12-1pm, Room HW-M1.0.25 Mrs Cathy Dickson

Preparing designers for the new economy
Penrith, 12-1pm, Room KW.1.1.05 Mr Mauricio Novoa

Communities of practice: Fact or fiction?
Penrith, 1-2pm, Room KW.1.1.05 Dr Maggie Clarke

UWS Quality Forum
Sydney Olympic Park, 8.30am-5pm
Discussing UWS strategic initiatives and developments, and reviewing current achievements and opportunities. Participants include the Vice-Chancellor and senior staff. (Invitation only)

Tuesday

Implementing the UWS Indigenous Graduate Attribute
Bankstown, 10am-12pm, Room BA-23.30 (LT04)
Developing core Indigenous units and embedding Indigenous content within courses and units – discussions and showcasing of best practice models. Associate Professor Barco-Arning

Taking to the computer? Students’ reactions to blended learning in languages
Bankstown, 12-1pm, Room BA-23.30 (LT04) Dr Bruno Di Blasi et al

Linking research with training: A virtual translation agency
Bankstown, 1-2pm, Room BA-23.30 (LT04) Dr Ignacio Garcia

The pains and the gains of curriculum re-design
Bankstown, 2-3pm, Room BA-23.30 (LT04)
Discussing the rationale and implications of the School of Sciences curriculum re-design project, the management of the project, and the pedagogical opportunities afforded in re-naming the curriculum. Dr Tim Griffin, Associate Professor Natalie Bozjan, Dr Mary Hawkins

Award presentation, Mathematical Reasoning pilot program participants, Nirimba Schools
Blacktown, 1-2pm, Room BL-U8-1.04 Professor Stuart Campbell

Welcome

Professor John Ingleson
Deputy Vice Chancellor, Asian and Pacific Affairs
I am pleased to welcome all staff and students to participate in the Inaugural UWS Learning and Teaching Week.

Our learning styles and preference for groupwork: Views of domestic and overseas students
Campbelltown, 11am-12pm, Room CA-04.15 (LT01) See Wednesday
Ms Phyllis Clarke

Emerging technologies: Enhancing your vUWS site
Penrith, 10-11am, Room KW.1.1.17 An overview of education programs for candidates completing a Masters Honours or PhD. The content and emphasis of these courses (avail. both online and via attendance model) will be elaborated. Professor Lesley Wilkes

The Indigenous musician: Telling life stories through music
Penrith, 12-1pm, Room KW.1.1.17 Dr Diana Bloom

Emerging technologies: Enhancing your vUWS site
Penrith, 1-2pm, Room KW.1.1.17 (see Tuesday) Ms Lynne Rankine

Wednesday

Global citizens: Think global, act local
Bankstown, 12-1pm, Room BA-20.0.34 Mrs Isabel Pina

Likert scales in evaluation – why it’s usually wrong.
Campbelltown, 1-2pm, Room CA-05.2.04 Cont. 7.88 Professor Ian Wilson

What skills do employers want and graduates have?
Campbelltown, 1-2pm, Room CA-05.2.04 Cont. 7.88 Ms Florence Aitken

Teaching ideas for lectures: How can we motivate students to engage?
Hawkesbury, 10-11am, Room HW-G6-0.25 Dr Robyn Blakely

Demonstrating ways to encourage peer learning, using cognitive conflict and student response systems (SRLP), and apply a practical, research-based theory for how we learn. Associate Professor Roy Tasker*

UWS lectures online
Hawkesbury, 11am-12pm, Room HW-G6-0.25 A lecture capture system designed to record the audio and the visual presentations being installed in the main lecture theatres across all campuses. Recordings can be placed onto a vUWS site for student access. TDU, ITD and Associate Professor Roy Tasker*

Thursday

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Ms Lynne Rankine

The scholarship of learning and teaching and the College of Business
Campbelltown, 12-1pm, Room CA-04.15 (LT01) Mr Michael Byorgan

vUWS: Where’s the Library?
Campbelltown, 1-2pm, Room PS-20.2.13 (LT02)
Introducing the teaching awards available at UWS and nationally through the Australian Learning and Teaching Council. Discussion/activities will assist participants to recognise and document teaching excellence. Associate Professor Catherine Sinclair

Teaching awards: Teaching excellence or just navel gazing?
Penrith, 12-1pm, Room KW.1.1.05 Dr Judith Thistlethwaite-Martin*

Hawkesbury, 1-2pm, Room PS-19.1.05 (LT04) Ms Liz Curach and Mrs Meg Boness

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The University is committed to providing a contemporary education that enables successful lives and careers for our students and graduates. The importance of investigating the ways that we teach and learn and of integrating this knowledge and understanding into our teaching, is being increasingly recognised.

As a number of the staff presenting have gained national recognition for the quality of their teaching, I encourage you to make the most of this opportunity to hear about a range of topics.

These include: implementing the UWS Indigenous Graduate Attribute; innovative assessment ideas; emerging technologies; linking research with training; motivating students to engage; and applying for teaching awards.

I trust that your participation in Learning and Teaching Week will seed a growing interest in this area and stimulate ongoing conversations about how each of us can contribute to the creation of a superior student learning experience at UWS.

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