

# Keeping Connected

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## **New Year, New Instructional Environment**

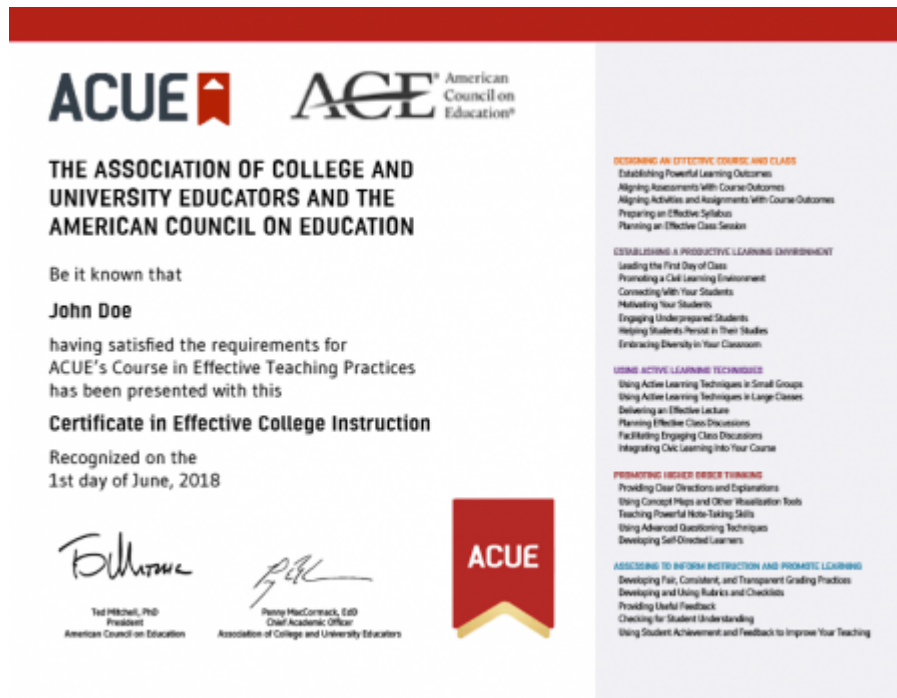
The Faculty Center for Innovation (FCI) is excited to welcome you back to a new academic year! Although the unique circumstances of 2020 led faculty across the world to quickly transition to online learning, we continue to be pragmatic Pirates and have learned, and continue to learn, how to offer quality higher education to Park's students. As we proceed instructing in a fully or partially online environment, FCI would like to share with you information on learning in a digital world. We hope you enjoy this material, and look forward to sharing innovative teaching and learning ideas with you throughout the year.



## **ACUE's Effective Online Teaching Practices Application**

Park University is excited to offer our faculty a special professional development opportunity as part of our commitment to instructional excellence and student success. Through a partnership with the Association of College and University Educators (ACUE), the Faculty Center for Innovation is able to provide a scholarship to 30 full-time and adjunct faculty members to enroll in ACUE's program in Effective

Online Teaching Practices. Interested faculty are encouraged to apply by **Wednesday, August 26**. [CLICK HERE](#) to complete the application. Additional information may be found in the [FCI Instructor Hub \(i-Hub\)](#).



## 10 Online Teaching Tips Beyond Zoom: Teaching Without Walls Episode 1

*Presented by Dr. Michael Wesch*

You don't have to teach online – you can teach out in the world, without walls, and without any preconceived ideas about what 'teaching online' has to be. Watch Dr. Wesch's 10 minute video (below) to learn 10 online teaching tips, or watch the whole series [HERE](#).





## ACUE's Online Teaching Tool Kit

*Offered by the Association of College and University Educators (ACUE)*

To support instructors transitioning to an online environment, ACUE offers resources and recommendations that faculty can immediately put to use and benefit both the teacher and their students. These resources are divided into six key areas - 1) Welcoming students to the online environment, 2) Managing your online presence, 3) Organizing your online course, 4) Planning and facilitating quality discussions, 5) Recording effective microlectures, and 6) Engaging students in readings and microlectures. [CLICK HERE](#) to view ACUE's "Online Teaching Toolkit".



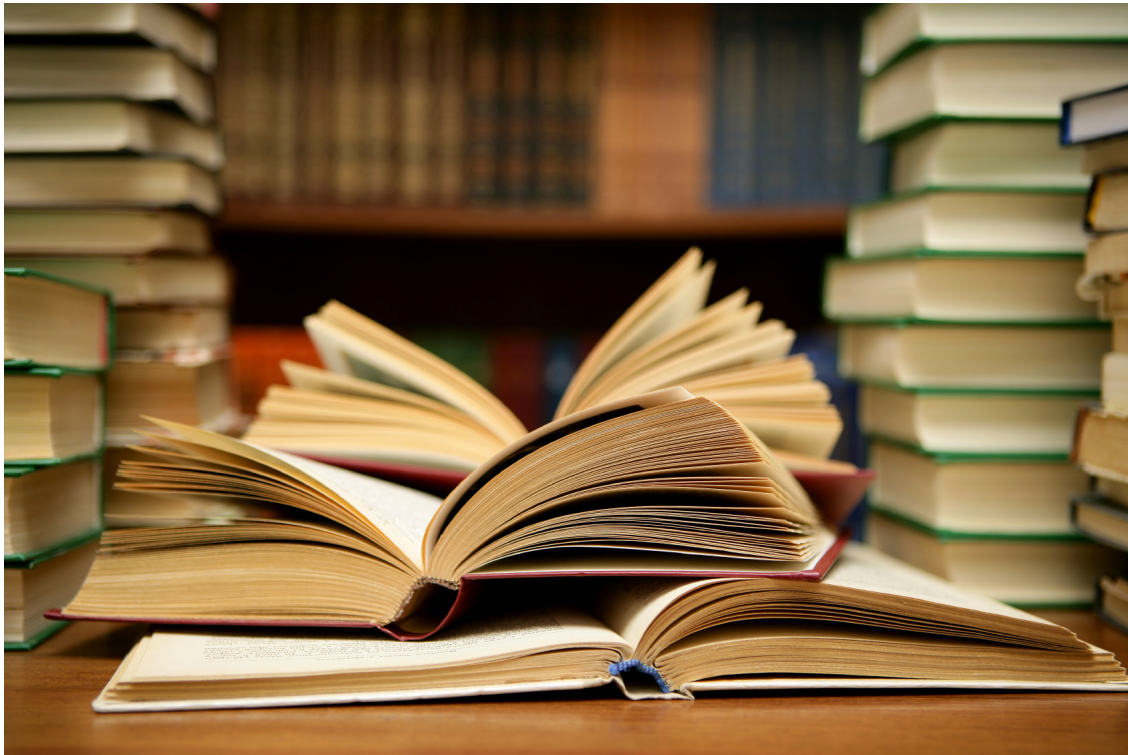
## Scholarly InSights

The Faculty Center for Innovation (FCI) is excited to highlight scholarly work published by FCI's academic journal, *[InSight: A Journal of Scholarly Teaching](#)*. This month, we are showcasing Searight et al.'s (2020) article, [The Use of Feature Film for Teaching Undergraduate Bioethics: Course Format and Assessment through Student Narratives](#) which focuses on assessing students' learning of "cinemeducation" by reflective journaling.

### *InSight* AND...InStruct Call for Papers

Are you interested in potentially publishing your scholarship of teaching and learning (SoTL) work? Check out [InSight's call for papers](#)! The journal is also delighted to

share with you *InSight's* new section, *InStruct*, which provides a space to celebrate and display pedagogical content that demonstrates the practical application of SoTL principles. To learn more about *InStruct* manuscript submissions, please view [\*InStruct's call for papers\*](#). For information about the journal, including viewing current and past volumes, please visit [\*InSight's website\*](#); all inquiries should be emailed to FCI at [innovate@park.edu](mailto:innovate@park.edu).



### **iHub (Instructor Hub) Resource Feature - EdPuzzle**

Interested in incorporating interactive video lessons in your classroom? Start using [EdPuzzle](#)! EdPuzzle allows you to upload and edit videos so you can assess your students' learning by having them answer questions throughout the recording. You even have access to reports to show you how each student is understanding the content. To learn more about EdPuzzle, watch the video below, or contact [Melanie Kinney](#), Coordinator of Educational Technology Initiatives. For information on additional educational technology, self-enroll in [FCI's Canvas Instructor Hub \(iHub\)](#).



### **Virtual Coffee House: August 28th**

FCI will be hosting our Virtual Coffee House once a month. All faculty are welcome to join us on **Friday, August 28th, from 11:30am-12:00pm CST** for an informal social gathering and to discuss a variety of topics - wherever the conversation might lead! To join, click [HERE](#). Hope to see you there!



### **Just for Fun: Laugh Out Loud Today!**

Park is back and ready to roll with blended and online teaching during fall 2020! To help you mentally prepare for teaching this semester, we've decided to share with



you some funny, and potentially relatable, online teaching moments by Board Teachers.

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