

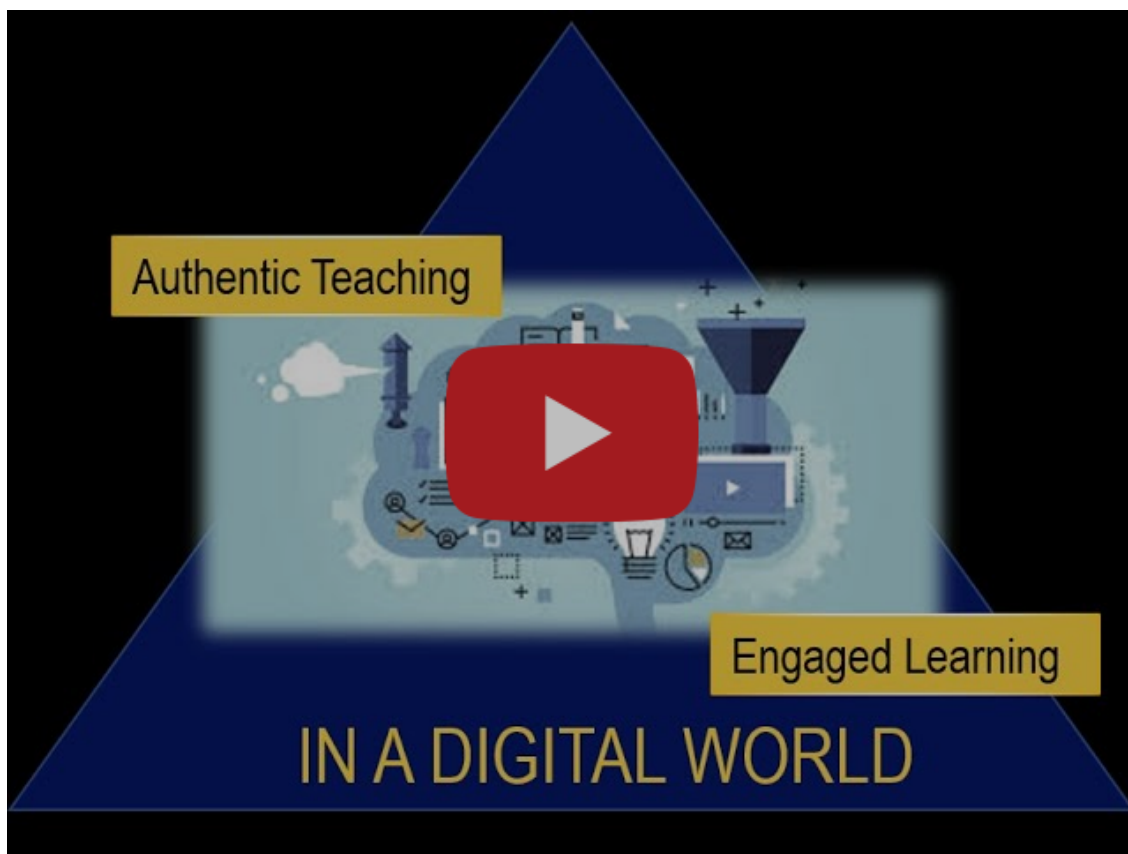


Teaching Tricks & Learning Treats

FCI October Programming

Are you getting tired of the daily grind? Want to wake up the part of your brain that longs for creativity and some fun? Then come join Amy Wolf and Leslie Umstattd's SIG as they explore and discuss **"Authentic Teaching and Engaged Learning in a Digital World"**. You can participate in their SIG in the following ways based on your preference:

- Watch the recorded video presentation (15 minutes) [CLICK HERE](#)
- Engage in asynchronous Q&A via the Fellows' Canvas course [HERE](#)
- Join the live discussion **"Reflect & Respond" session: Thur., Oct. 29th** via Zoom [JOIN HERE](#) (Note. Please be sure to watch the recording **before** the live session, as it will serve as the foundation for the discussion).



FCI Teaching Essentials Program

The Faculty Center for Innovation (FCI) is pleased to announce the launch of the new **Teaching Essentials Program**. These fully online, self-paced modules provide excellent information and practical examples from the field, for both novice and experienced instructors, with ideas to (re)invigorate teaching within your own class.

Participants will receive a certificate for each module completed, and faculty who complete all five modules will be awarded a **Teaching Essentials** digital badge. This badge can be shared via social media and included in the professional development section of their portfolio for their performance review.

All **Teaching Essentials** modules are hosted in Bridge ([HERE](#)) or may be found in FCI's Instructor Hub (i-Hub) in Canvas ([self-enroll in i-Hub HERE](#)). Module topics are listed below. For additional questions or comments related to the **Teaching Essentials** certification, please email innovate@park.edu.

- Module 1: Planning Class Sessions
- Module 2: Facilitating Discussions
- Module 3: Engaging & Motivating Students
- Module 4: Providing Effective Feedback
- Module 5: Using Student & Peer Feedback to Improve Teaching



Call for Speakers - Virtual Academic Conference

The Faculty Center for Innovation (FCI) is excited to announce planning for the second annual **Virtual Academic Conference** is underway. The **Virtual Academic Conference** will be held on Saturday, March 13, 2021 from 9am-12pm, CST via Zoom (information to join the conference will be sent at a later date). This year's keynote will be presented by Dr. James Lang, and the conference tracks, "Creating Focus" and "Reaching Students Remotely", center upon Dr. Lang's work, *Distracted: Why Students Can't Focus and What You Can Do About It*.

At this time, we are requesting call for speakers for the conference. Please view the [presenter's brief](#) with guidelines and link to the application for proposals ([SUBMIT HERE](#)). **Deadline for submission is December 18, 2020.**

For additional questions related to the conference or the call for speakers submission process, please email innovate@park.edu. We look forward to receiving your submissions!



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