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Cheating Culture on College Campuses

David Callahan, author of *The Cheating Culture: Why More Americans Are Doing Wrong to Get Ahead*, spoke on September 14, 2007 in the Russell House Theater. His presentation focused on academic integrity and the cheating culture on college campuses.

Recordings of this and other past events can be viewed online at

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When many of us ask our students a question in class, we wait less than one second for them to respond. I've found that it can take five or more seconds for students to figure out what they've been asked and to formulate answers. So if you want to enhance classroom discussion, consider increasing your "wait time." When you look expectantly at your students for five seconds, it will feel to them like a lifetime, and they will be compelled to reply just to break the silence. Let me know how it works! – *Jed Lyons, Faculty Director*

teaching excellence events

Teaching Excellence Seminar

"Paths to Excellence in Undergraduate Research Mentoring"
September 28, 2007

Mentoring students in research is a challenging and rewarding activity for faculty. On Friday, September 28, 2007 at 2:00, winners of USC's Undergraduate Research Mentor Award and their students will discuss their experiences. Participants include Dr. Ann Kingsolver from Anthropology, and Drs. John Lavigne and Stephen Morgan from Chemistry and Biochemistry. The seminar will be presented in the Moore School of Business, Close/Hipp Building, Room 203, and streamed from the CTE website and on Gamecock Cable.

Teaching Excellence Colloquium

"Critical Thinking, Information Literacy, and Lifelong Learning"
October 4, 2007

Many students have difficulty in finding, evaluating, and presenting reliable information for their classes. To make it easier for faculty to address these issues, the CTE has organized this half-day event. Dr. Patricia Breivik, founder of the National Forum on Information Literacy and a former Dean at San Jose State University, will present the keynote lecture. This will be followed by a breakout session for faculty discussion and lunch courtesy of the CTE. To view the agenda and to register, visit <http://www.sc.edu/cte/breivik>.

teaching excellence grants

Writing Across the Curriculum

This initiative encourages faculty to explore the roles writing can play in enhancing students' learning in various fields. The program utilizes faculty development and collaboration to integrate writing in meaningful and effective ways. Faculty will develop instructional projects that integrate writing into undergraduate courses.

Fundamentals of Inquiry

This initiative seeks to foster innovative courses and instruction methods, resulting in an expanded number of undergraduates engaged in inquiry. Faculty will meet as an interdisciplinary team and develop instructional strategies and courses that include the best elements of inquiry across disciplines.

Proposal solicitations will appear on the CTE website by October 8, 2007. Visit <http://www.sc.edu/cte/grants.shtml>.