CI Newsletter: June 3-7, 2024

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Hello everyone!

Check out some exciting resources, developments and events below.

Curriculum Integration Project



Caption: Curriculum Integration logo. Source: Teaching & Learning Centre.

Spring 2024 Curriculum Integration Cohort

A big thank you to all the Spring 2024 CI faculty champions who joined us for last week's sessions! Time flies; we're already at the mid-point in our journey. In the previous week, we delved into the Curriculum Integration Plan deliverables. This week, we encourage faculty champions to touch base with your Chair for any concerns, feedback, or to just give a quick update on your progress. If you haven't already, please make sure to register for the last CI sessions and CI Spotlight session on MyPD!

Curriculum Café Session: Asynchronous Week Sessions

Looking to dedicate more time to conversations with your colleagues and deepen your understanding of Curriculum Integration? Our next set of virtual sessions is right around the corner! You still can register for the June 13th or June 14th Curriculum Café sessions, taking place from 2:00 to 3:30 p.m. Feel free to bring your deliverables for review and/or input from your peers. Everyone is invited to participate. Register for the <u>Curriculum Cafés on MyPD today</u>!

Seneca's Curriculum Café is an informal get-together where faculty share and learn about curriculum integration in Truth & Reconciliation (TRC), Equity, Diversity & Inclusion (EDI), and

Sustainability (SUS).



Event Calendar: Pride Month

Pride season is here as people celebrate the LGBTQ2S+ community worldwide during the summer months. In Ontario, June is Pride month, and it commemorates the New York City Stonewall riots of June 1969; the month-end parade caps off a full 30 days chock-full of events.

There are numerous <u>activities</u> taking place at Seneca, including a <u>Pride flag raising</u> event on June 4th at Seneca@York campus.

For faculty, resources are available in this <u>toolkit</u> for your classroom practice, including web banners and backgrounds for virtual meetings. You may want to include stories of <u>Canadian</u> <u>LGBTQ2S+ individuals</u>, or call on guest speakers from the community to speak to your classes. For additional possibilities, please contact the Office of Reconciliation and Inclusion (ORI) at <u>ori@senecapolytechnic.ca</u> and let's celebrate together.



Caption: LGBTQ2S+ flag raised at a Seneca campus. Source: Seneca Polytechnic

Classroom Connection: Illuminate App

Check out the <u>Illuminate</u> app, an climate change educational simulation game created by the University of Waterloo. In the game, players explore solutions to the impacts of climate change. It's a low-stakes way to promote critical thinking while encouraging real-world costbenefit conversations that students can apply to their lives.



Caption: Illuminate can simulate how we can build a cleaner future. Source: Illuminate app

Event Calendar: Indigenous Arts Festival and Na-Me-Res Powwow

Along with Pride, June is also <u>National Indigenous History Month</u>. On June 15 and 16 at Fort York, Toronto (Tkaronto) celebrate by attending the <u>Indigenous Arts Festival and Na-Me-Res</u> <u>Powwow</u>. This free, family-friendly event includes opportunities to attend a traditional powwow, watch live concerts with contemporary and traditional Indigenous musical performers, and enjoy a variety of artisan and food market stalls showcasing authentic handmade artwork and delicious Indigenous dishes.

Join us for a weekend of celebration, learning, and community spirit in the heart of Toronto!



Caption: Powwow dancer in traditional dress. Source: CBC Toronto

Looking for support? Feel free to reach out to the CI team at any time by emailing teaching@senecapolytechnic.ca.





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Caption: Artwork by Isaac Murdoch, "The Petition to the Water Spirits", located at Seneca@York Courtyard. Source: Seneca Polytechnic, 2023.