CI Newsletter: June 17-21, 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

Giveaway Day

Thank you to our Spring 2024 CI faculty champions for your hard work and dedication over these past seven weeks. Your dedication and passion have not gone unnoticed. On June 19, we will celebrate their achievements through our in-person Giveaway Day event at Newnham Campus, HELIX Incubator Space K2010, from 11AM to 4PM EST. This event is a crucial milestone in faculty champion's Curriculum Integration journey, and attendance is mandatory. In the spirit of sustainability, we encourage all attendees to bring a reusable beverage container. Faculty Champions will receive gifts as a token of our appreciation for your hard work and dedication. We look forward to celebrating with you! Please note that you need to submit your last deliverables on June 27th.

Classroom Connection: Men's Mental Health

June is a busy month for many communities to come together and advocate for specific causes. Another important cause to be aware of is men's mental health. Across Canada, many organizations dedicated to this cause have resources that you can use to explore and share with your classes. Here are a few:

• Canadian Men's Health Foundation provides information including toolkits and

podcasts to better inform audiences. They also dedicate a space for fitness titled "Move for your Mental Health". More details to review here in this video from Dr. David Kuhl.

- Prairie Mountain Health houses information specifically related to websites that provide information for staying healthy all year long.
- Mental Health Commission of Canada is an in-depth website with a wealth of information. For this month, they have a dedicated section to raise awareness.

Understanding the complexity of men's mental health begins with awareness as many individuals seek ways forward through challenging times.

For students, Seneca offers support:

- Students who feel they require support can reach out to Seneca's Counselling & Accessibility office to schedule an appointment. Outside of their hours of operation, contact any of the following for further assistance:
- Good2Talk: call 1.866.925.5454 or text GOOD2TALKON to 686868
- Mental Health Helpline: call 1.866.531.2600
- Real Campus: Real Campus or 1-877-390-REAL to speak to a counsellor



Caption: Bringing awareness to men's mental health provides men with more resources to lead healthier lives. Source: Adobe Stock

Faculty Voices: Baa Maa Pii, Randy

Say it isn't so! A key member of the FirstPeoples@Seneca team for many years, Randy Pitawanakwat has given so much to the Seneca community through his thoughtful, humorous and kind approach to faculty and community development. Randy will be leaving Seneca Polytechnic at the end of June to begin a journey as a tenure-track professor in the School of Indigenous Relations at Laurentian University. Please join us all for a celebration in Odeyto on June 20th, from 4-6pm, to say "Baa maa pii" to Randy!



Caption: Baa maa pii, Randy! Source: Seneca Polytechnic

Curriculum Integration: A Message from Randy

The Curriculum Integration team, alongside the Teaching & Learning Centre, acknowledges Randy Pitawanakwat's work with the CI project from its inception. In this video, Randy shares the importance of CI and how it will transform the learning experience for Seneca students. Chi miigwech, Randy.



Caption: We wish Randy the best in his next teaching adventure. Source: Seneca Polytechnic

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



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







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