Teaching and Learning Commons

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Education Initiative

Improve Student Engagement! Why

→increased academic success & retention
→increased integration of acad. & social self

How

advance teaching & learning

Teaching and Learning Commons

Synergy – Coordination - Dual Focus

guiding principles:

- fragmented approach to teaching and learning weakens efficacy
- teaching and learning are integrally intertwined
- education research and practice are mutually enriching

 \rightarrow systems-level structure within Academic Affairs

TLC Centers

Center for Engaged Teaching

Center for Engaged Learning



engaged learner read study working with faculty prepare for class academic experience active learner transition to college time management take good notes self-motivation do homework do homework effective studying academic life academics go to class organized

CET: Center for Engaged Teaching

Advancing Teaching Excellence

- promotes and provides faculty and TA training in scholarly teaching
 - delivers ongoing teaching support and feedback
 - connects educational research with practice
- serves as a clearinghouse for instructional technology activities

Staged Implementation

Providing Target Support and Building Capacity:

- Current Center for Teaching Development Staff
 - Associate Director: Peter Newbury
 - Language Program for International Instructors: Martha Stacklin and Sarah Carvalho
- Director search about to be advertised
- Three Associate Director positions to be recruited
- Program Assessment Specialist about to be advertised

Community Engagement – Community Network

Faculty - Change Agents

Academic Departments - Locus of Change

- → vital that the Commons and faculty work together closely
- → "troops on the ground" play a central role in Commons activities

Commons Structure

Connecting & Integration

- Senior Council
- Departmental Faculty Liaison
- Associate Directors of CET

Center for Engaged Learning

Supporting Student Success

Establish Key Components:

- Writing & Communication Center
- Tutorial Support
- Academic Success Program

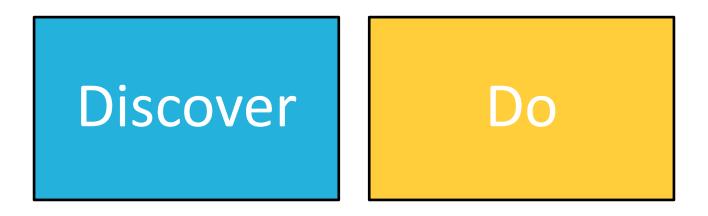
Create Tools & Support Systems for Engaged Learning: access to and engagement in educational opportunities

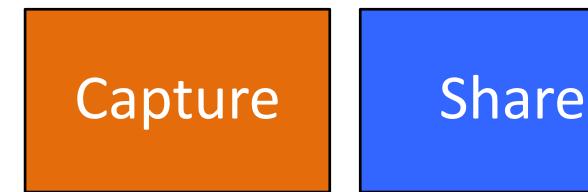
Physical Home of The Commons

Geisel Library



Advancing Student Success REAL Tools





Discover & Do

Research Experiences and Applied Learning Opportunities REAL Portal





Academic and Professional Identity Development

University Registrar Validation

- Enhanced Electronic Transcript
- Co-Curricular Record

Online Portfolio

Prospective employers, graduate programs, professional schools, academic advisors...



