

# Centre for Teaching and Learning



## WHO ARE WE?

### The people...

We are faculty, staff, and graduate students committed to improving teaching and learning across campus and beyond.

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### Our mission...

The Centre for Teaching and Learning (CTL) works in partnership with faculty, staff, and students from across campus to create a culture of scholarly and effective teaching at the University of Windsor—a culture which values, recognizes, practices, and rewards teaching that is well-grounded in research and reflective practice, and thus likely to enhance and inspire student learning.

## WHAT CAN WE DO FOR YOU?

We are here to support you as teachers, researchers, and educational leaders. We draw on evidence-based practices to develop courses, programs, and services to help establish instructional conditions that inspire student engagement, foster student success, and contribute to the development of vibrant programs of study. Some of our programs and services include:

- The University Teaching Certificate (UTC), designed to help academics at all levels and in all disciplines develop their teaching practice
- Half courses on a range of teaching topics including lecturing, leading discussions, learning-centred teaching, and course design
- An Indigenizing Curriculum & Pedagogy workshop series featuring invited speakers on Indigenous pedagogy, medicine, and related topics
- Grants to support teaching and learning research, innovations, and dissemination
- Curriculum Services, including workshops, resources, and tools for course, curriculum, learning outcome, and program design
- Support for the development of teaching dossiers for tenure, promotion, and external teaching awards
- Early career faculty mentorship, and support for educational leaders
- Scholarship of teaching and learning support for research design and dissemination
- A newsletter and blog with insights into topical issues in teaching and learning
- Support for integration and use of technology for teaching, learning, and educational innovation, including training for the use of Blackboard Learn as a teaching tool
- Graduate and teaching assistant support programs and services
- Opportunities to network with visiting fellows from around the world

## FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

### I would like to develop my teaching skills. What are my options?

We offer a number of short and long-term programs and services, and most are free:

- **Teaching and Learning Workshops** offered through the year by UWindsor faculty, CTL members, and Visiting fellows from across the world: [ctl2.uwindsor.ca/workshops/ctl/2](http://ctl2.uwindsor.ca/workshops/ctl/2)
- **Six-week half courses** on a range of topics including Authentic Assessment, Course Design, Lecturing, Leading Effective Discussions, and Learning-Centred Teaching: [uwindsor.ca/ctl/half-courses](http://uwindsor.ca/ctl/half-courses)
- **Instructional Skills Workshop**, a three-day, intensive workshop including video recorded micro-teaching: [ctl2.uwindsor.ca/workshops/74](http://ctl2.uwindsor.ca/workshops/74)
- **University Teaching Certificate**, a program combining six-week half- courses, and one-on-one mentoring: [uwindsor.ca/ctl/utc](http://uwindsor.ca/ctl/utc)
- **Classroom observations** by CTL staff (or through the Peer Collaboration Network: [uwindsor.ca/pcn](http://uwindsor.ca/pcn)) with constructive feedback on classroom management, instructional techniques, and course and assessment materials: [uwindsor.ca/ctl/teaching-observations](http://uwindsor.ca/ctl/teaching-observations)
- **Consultations** on topics of your choice with CTL staff. Please send inquiries to [ctl@uwindsor.ca](mailto:ctl@uwindsor.ca)
- A series of helpful **links and resources** on our website: [uwindsor.ca/ctl/tlresources](http://uwindsor.ca/ctl/tlresources)

### I would like to know more about Indigenizing pedagogy and curriculum. Where can I go?

- CTL's **Indigenous Knowledges** web page has information about the Truth and Reconciliation Commission's (TRC) Calls to Action, and other relevant resources: [uwindsor.ca/ctl/ik](http://uwindsor.ca/ctl/ik)
- CTL's **Teach and Learn Blog** offers recorded sessions of the *Pulling Together and Foundation Series* [teach-learn.ca/category/indigenous-curriculum](http://teach-learn.ca/category/indigenous-curriculum)
- New workshops will be offered by CTL throughout the year: [ctl2.uwindsor.ca/workshops](http://ctl2.uwindsor.ca/workshops)
- For more details, questions, or individual consultations, contact Jaimie Kechego, Indigenous Coordinator of Indigenous Curriculum and Pedagogy: [Jaimie.Kechego@uwindsor.ca](mailto:Jaimie.Kechego@uwindsor.ca)

### Should I begin preparing my teaching dossier for tenure?

Yes, and we can help! We offer workshops, one-on-one consultations, and an annual Teaching Dossier Academy: [uwindsor.ca/ctl/347/teaching-dossier-consultation](http://uwindsor.ca/ctl/347/teaching-dossier-consultation)

### Is there any support for curriculum design?

Yes! The CTL offers workshops, retreats, individual, and group consultations on curriculum design and mapping as well as a number of resources to help you throughout the process: <https://uwin365.sharepoint.com/sites/ctlcurriculum/SitePages/Curriculum-Services.aspx>.

### Where can I go to get help using Blackboard?

We offer face-to-face group training, one-on-one consultations, online, and non-facilitated courses: [uwindsor.ca/bbworkshops](http://uwindsor.ca/bbworkshops). Find out more in the [BB Tip Sheet](#).

### Is there any support for my teaching assistants?

Yes! GAs and TAs are invited to participate in most CTL programs. The **GATA Network** – created by the CTL and Faculty of Graduate Studies – co-organizes with the CTL, **GATAcademy**, a full-day professional development event: [uwindsor.ca/ctl/gatacademy](http://uwindsor.ca/ctl/gatacademy), and workshops throughout the year; and hosts a Blackboard site, Facebook page, Twitter, and blog: [uwindsor.ca/ctl/gata](http://uwindsor.ca/ctl/gata). Find out more in the [GATA Network Tip Sheet](#).

### Is there any funding for teaching-related research, projects, or conferences?

Yes! The CTL supports research into teaching and learning through:

- **Centred on Learning Innovation Fund (CLIF)** project seed grants: [uwindsor.ca/ctl/clifgrants](http://uwindsor.ca/ctl/clifgrants)
- **Undergraduate Research Experience Grant (UREG)**, hosted by the CTL and the Office of Research and Innovation Services (ORIS): [uwindsor.ca/research-innovation-services/635/undergraduate-research-experience-grants-ure](http://uwindsor.ca/research-innovation-services/635/undergraduate-research-experience-grants-ure)
- **CTL Travel grants** to conferences on teaching and learning: [uwindsor.ca/ctl/faculty-travel-grants](http://uwindsor.ca/ctl/faculty-travel-grants)

### Is that all?

No! Look for the **University of Windsor Teaching and Learning Conference**, which includes free registration for UWindsor members: [ctl2.uwindsor.ca/tlconf/](http://ctl2.uwindsor.ca/tlconf/) and ongoing offerings on our website: [uwindsor.ca/ctl](http://uwindsor.ca/ctl)