



Center for Teaching & Learning

Learning Circles 101

What is a CTL Learning Circle?

Learning Circles (LC) are designed as an informal mechanism to draw together small group of faculty and other instructional staff who have an interest in a particular topic related to higher education. The idea is to gather people with similar interests, from different areas or disciplines. This is a great opportunity to spend time learning about teaching and learning with colleagues!

How does a CTL Learning Circle Work?

Each LC will be organized by a facilitator with support from the CTL Teaching & Learning Scholar. The topic can be anything related to teaching or learning, usually related to a specific book. Most Learning Circles meet 2-7 times during a semester to discuss the topic. A LC is intended to be a short term commitment by members to collaboratively learn about topics of common interest.

How can I facilitate a CTL Learning Circle?

- Contact the CTL Teaching & Learning Scholar about your interest. (If you are choosing a specific book, please consider the book price.)
- Have an idea of what meeting days and times would work best for you.
- You are not expected to be an expert in the topic! If anything, it is most important to have an open mind and be able to encourage others to share their thoughts.

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