

# Centre for Teaching and Learning

CTL promotes excellent university teaching that leads to engaging and meaningful learning experiences for students.

We pursue this goal through a combination of consultation, facilitation, technology integration, collaboration, and research to advocate for and support evidence-based, responsive, and positive change in teaching and learning.



## PROGRAMS [ualberta.ca/centre-for-teaching-and-learning/teaching-support](http://ualberta.ca/centre-for-teaching-and-learning/teaching-support)

**Teaching Development Program:** supports recently hired instructors and faculty members in their first two years of teaching.

**SoTL Scholars Program:** supports instructors to try innovative teaching strategies, systematically evaluate them, and disseminate their results.

**Concepts in Course Design:** a short course for instructors to learn and apply principles of course design, with feedback, offered in a blended format.

**Teaching Online:** an online, self-paced course for instructors to learn and apply important considerations for design and delivery of online courses.

**Workshops:** regularly offered by CTL staff on a broad range of topics on teaching and learning, both face-to-face and online.

**Lunch and Learns:** regular sessions presented by UofA faculty members on important teaching and learning topics.

## FESTIVAL OF TEACHING AND LEARNING

An annual event which brings together instructors, administrators, and staff from across the University to celebrate, share, and explore effective teaching and learning approaches. Event in early May. Call for proposals annually in January.  
[ualberta.ca/centre-for-teaching-and-learning/events/festival-of-teaching](http://ualberta.ca/centre-for-teaching-and-learning/events/festival-of-teaching)

## TEACHING INSTITUTE

An annual multi-day event in August which includes a range of workshops and presentations designed to inspire, model, and support instructors to develop their teaching practice and prepare for the upcoming year.  
[ualberta.ca/centre-for-teaching-and-learning/events/teaching-institute](http://ualberta.ca/centre-for-teaching-and-learning/events/teaching-institute)

## CONSULTATIONS

We offer personalized support **for instructors** on all aspects of teaching (see over), including technology-enriched teaching and indigenizing courses and curricula. We offer support **for programs** by consulting on topics such as curriculum planning and review, and developing program-level learning outcomes. **Departments and units** undertaking major change initiatives in teaching and learning may apply for a period of extended support from CTL.  
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## EFFECTIVE TEACHING AND LEARNING

Despite the complexity of teaching and learning, some characteristics of teaching expertise are common across all contexts: content knowledge, effective design of courses and learning activities, engaging instructional delivery, and facilitation of a productive climate for learning. Knowledge and skills in all of these domains can be developed over time in an iterative cycle of reflection, growth, and leadership in teaching.



## RESOURCES

A growing collection of guidance documents, archived presentations and webinars, and other resources are available on the CTL website.

- **Inspiring Teaching videos:** explore the teaching practices and philosophies of some of the University of Alberta's excellent instructors.
- **Teaching Plus podcasts:** dive into issues facing post-secondary instructors and hear their strategies for improving teaching and learning.
- **Newsletter:** subscribe to get notifications of upcoming events, application deadlines, and new online resources. [ctl.guide/subscribe](http://ctl.guide/subscribe)

## GRANTS AND AWARDS

Several institutional teaching grants and awards are administered through CTL. We also offer workshops and consultations on designing projects and compiling teaching dossiers. [ualberta.ca/centre-for-teaching-and-learning/grants](http://ualberta.ca/centre-for-teaching-and-learning/grants)

- **TLEF (Teaching and Learning Enhancement Fund):** supports innovative projects that create exceptional learning experiences and environments for students.
- **TLEF PD (Professional Development) Awards:** support for instructors to pursue opportunities to improve their teaching skills, enhance their understanding of teaching and learning processes, and create environments that enhance student learning.
- **OER (Open Educational Resources) Awards:** give faculty support and structure in the selection, integration, creation, and use of open educational resources.
- **Visiting Speaker Grants:** assist departments bringing scholars to campus that will address teaching and the scholarship of teaching within the discipline.

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## BOOKABLE RESOURCES

- Active Learning Classroom (Cameron B-12)
- Sound Recording (Whisper Room)
- Lecture Capture (Swivl)
- Lightboard and Green Screen for video

## COST RECOVERY SERVICES

Related to teaching, learning, program review:

- **Production:** video recording and editing, video studio and lightboard, audio editing.
- **Research:** survey design and analysis, interviews and focus groups, engagement analytics for courses on eClass.