

Teaching Commons

Graduate Students Newsletter

York University Teaching Commons Graduate Students Newsletter, March 2023



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Care During Marking and Grading Season

As marking and grading season continues, we hope you are taking care of yourself. Take many breaks while you are grading. This is good for you and for your students because you give better feedback when you are refreshed. The following tips may help you be able to take more breaks. Gather all the materials you need (e.g. rubric, etc.). Have a collection of phrases to customize for your feedback. Keep descriptive notes and records because it enhances feedback and helps you during office hours and for submitting grades to your course director.



Join us for the STAY Symposium

The [Supporting Teaching At York \(STAY\) Symposium](#) is an annual event for graduate students by graduate students. The [Senior Teaching Assistants](#) are excited to design and facilitate interactive sessions that will inspire you to share your experiences with each other and learn together. There are multiple ways you can engage in the symposium, synchronously, in-person, and asynchronously too!

[Learn more and register for the STAY Symposium](#)



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Teaching Development Events

The following list of events in March all count toward the [Record of Completion certificates](#).

- CourseHero and Chegg and ChatGPT, Oh My!: Teaching Critical Thinking in the Age of AI (IN-PERSON), Fri. Mar. 3, 1:00 pm – 2:00 pm in York Lanes, 280A. [Register](#).
- Defence of the Dark Art: The Practice of 'Critical' Reading, Mon. Mar. 6, 12:00 pm – 1:00 pm ET via Zoom. [Register](#).
- Integrating Equity, Inclusion and Accessibility when Teaching Lab Courses, Wed. Mar. 8, 12:00 pm – 1:00 pm. ET via Zoom. [Register](#).
- Supporting Linguistic and Cultural Diversity in the Classroom
Closing Session: Looking Back and Looking Ahead, Thurs. Mar. 16, 3:00 pm – 4:00 pm ET via Zoom. [Learn more and register](#).



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Decolonisation, Equity, Diversity & Inclusion (DEDI) in Teaching and Learning Community of Practice (CoP) – Upcoming Events

The DEDI in Teaching and Learning CoP invites you to join them for several exciting upcoming sessions:

- Thursday, Mar. 23rd, 1:00-2:00: Connecting with Cora Coady, Indigenous Teaching and Learning Librarian at York
- Thursday, Apr. 27rd, 1:00-2:00: Arts-based session on creating spaces full of CARE with Patricia Ki (York University)
- And watch out for our conference in May!

[Register to join one or all of these upcoming sessions.](#)



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Volunteer at Congress 2023

York University is recruiting volunteers to support the [2023 Congress of the Humanities and Social Sciences](#). Congress is the largest academic gathering in Canada, and one of the largest in the world. Join the University in facilitating a special gathering of inspiring presentations, panels, workshops, and cultural events to shape the future of our country and the post-secondary sector, as we emerge from a global pandemic, witness protests for racial justice and an escalating climate crisis. This year's theme, "Reckonings and Re-imaginings", focuses on how to live in non-hierarchical relationships that respect human differences, while protecting the environment we depend on.

[Learn more and apply to become a volunteer!](#) Applications must be submitted by **March 13, 2023**.

For any questions, please contact volunteer.congress@yorku.ca.



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