Dear Estrella Mountain Friends and Colleagues,

On behalf of everyone here at your CTL, we hope you've enjoyed your summer. We have been working hard on planning a diverse and engaging series of professional development opportunities to help you flourish in your position, prepare for what's ahead, and ultimately help our students succeed. We hope that whether you are a faculty or staff member, you will find offerings of interest to you.

I wanted to take a moment to highlight a significant change we are embarking on in the CTL. This semester we are piloting our new professional development model we're calling **The Skills Credentialing Pathways**. Over the next few years we will be rolling out a series of opportunities where you can learn and submit evidence of mastering key skills, concluding in earning a microcredential (badge) that you can display both in and outside of Maricopa. This semester we will be piloting *Advanced Canvas* (with Chris Wacaser) and *Basic Video Production* (with Jim Heinrich). In the semesters ahead we will be introducing *EMC101:The Learning College* and *Effecting Change in the Workplace*, to name just a couple. We hope you take advantage of these new opportunities.

We also have new, state-of-the-art technology in our CTL big room - come check out the new tech!

We encourage you to take the time to find workshops that speak to you and to register for them now, so you can get them on your calendar before they fill up.

Here’s to another fantastic semester ahead!

Erik Thor Huntsinger, Ed.D
Faculty Director, Center for Teaching and Learning

"No man ever steps in the same river twice, for it's not the same river and he's not the same man."
- Heraclitus.
### AUGUST

**Adjunct Evening of Learning (EOL) 08/14**
6:10PM - 7:40PM *Various Locations

An evening of events designed to update Adjunct Faculty and prepare for the semester ahead. Refer to Fall 2019 Evening of Learning document for list and description of breakout sessions.

**SAC Assessment Matters 08/15**
Presenter(s): Becky Baranowski and Roni Collazo
10:00AM - 12:00PM *MON-CTL

Join your assessment coordinators and colleagues to learn more about assessment changes, next steps with Canvas, and learning more about levels of learning outcomes. Lunch provided for those who register.

**Monday Meditation 08/19, 08/26**
Presenter(s): Erik Huntsinger
1:45PM - 2:15PM *MON-CTL 157B

Join us for mindful meditation - get out of the whirlwind of life’s stressors and focus on you. Scientific research suggests mindful meditation reduces stress while improving focus and working memory. We will discuss the benefits (and challenges) of meditation and practice it using various mindful techniques. Everyone is welcome, from novices to regular practitioners, to the simply curious.

**Drupal Training 08/20**
Presenter(s): Chris Celeya
10:30AM - 12:00PM *MON-CTL 157B

Learn to edit and manage Drupal pages in the EMCC website. This workshop is required to get access to editing Drupal pages in your area.

**Advancement and Sabbatical Workshop 08/23**
Presenter(s): Weiru Chang
12:00PM - 1:00PM *MON-CTL N

Are you a Residential Faculty member interested in learning more about sabbaticals or advancement? Come to this session to plan your sabbatical and learn how you can qualify for academic and non-academic advancement to help move along the pay scale.

**SAC Understanding the Levels of Learning Outcomes 08/26**
Presenter(s): Becky Baranowski and Roni Collazo
1:00PM - 2:00PM *MON CTL-S

The purpose of this session will be to discuss the classroom vs. program vs. institute. Light refreshments will be provided.

**Google Suite Overview 08/28**
Presenter(s): Najmah Muhammad
2:00PM - 3:00PM *MON-CTL 157B

Learn about the different Google products and how it can be your tool for success in the workplace or classroom.

CAFÉ credit approved  FPG approved
### AUGUST

**SAC Classroom Conversation 08/30**
Presenter(s): Becky Baranowski and Roni Collazo
12:00PM - 1:30PM * MON CTL-S
The luncheon will present and discuss the results from the Institutional Level Learning Outcomes from Fall 2018, Spring 2019, and Summer 2019. What do we do with the data? Now what?

### SEPTEMBER

**The New Online Adjunct Orientation 09/03, 09/11**
Presenter(s): Leslie Arriaga and Jill Santy
3:00PM - 4:00PM *MON-CTL S
The New Online Adjunct Orientation: Learn about and enroll in the self-paced Adjunct Faculty Online Orientation that has just gone live for Fall semester. As a new or continuing adjunct, this gives you easy access to all the resources you need to be successful here at EMCC--plus a Badge!

**SAC - Understanding the Levels of Learning Outcomes 09/05**
Presenter(s): Becky Baranowski and Roni Collazo
1:00PM - 2:00PM *MON-CTL
The purpose of this session will be to discuss the classroom vs. program vs. institute. Light refreshments will be provided.

**What “Open” Means 09/06**
Presenter(s): Matthew Bloom
12:00PM - 3:30PM *MON-CTL N
The History, Philosophy, Practice, and Future of Open Educational Resources/Clearing the Weeds with the Proper Whacker: Copyright and Licensing with OER.

**Saturday Morning Workshop: Active Listening Strategies 09/07**
Presenter(s): Jarod Raithel and Michelle Breaux
8:00AM - 11:45AM *MON 284
This session will be filled with adventure starting off with EMCC Gardens, Owls, and Snakes! Oh My . . . Learn creative approaches to learning from this unique opportunity.

**Monday Meditation 09/09, 09/16, 09/23, 09/30**
Presenter(s): Erik Huntsinger
1:45PM - 2:15PM *MON-CTL 157B
Join us for mindful meditation - get out of the whirlwind of life’s stressors and focus on you. Scientific research suggests mindful meditation reduces stress while improving focus and working memory. We will discuss the benefits (and challenges) of meditation and practice it using various mindful techniques. Everyone is welcome, from novices to regular practitioners, to the simply curious.
### Do you Playposit? 09/09, 09/17
Presenter(s): Kelly Loucy
09/09 - 1:00PM - 2:00PM *MON-CTL N
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Learn how an instructor can create or use existing videos and edit to add interactive questions throughout (fill in the blank, multiple choice, free write, etc). You can choose to monitor student responses if you want (like homework) in order to improve engagement and learning.

### Financial Literacy Class 09/10
Presenter(s): Joseph Blake
10:30AM - 11:30AM *MON-CTL N
The purpose of this workshop is to enhance, refine, and improve financial choices. Family's desire to improve their financial futures and this workshop has the answer.

### Creating Engaging Visual Content with Visme 09/11
Presenter(s): Najmah Muhammad
1:00PM - 2:00PM *MON-CTL157B
Are you looking for a PowerPoint alternative to present materials? Stop in and learn how to create fun and professional presentations for free using Visme.

### Multimedia Planning and Development 09/12
Presenter(s): Daniel Reichstein
3:00PM - 4:00PM *MON-CTL 157B
In this workshop, we breakdown the key steps for creating effective informational videos that will engage your audience. We will cover how to make AV requests through the CTL, the process for developing a video message from script to final presentation, and the AV tools/resources we have available to you.

### Saturday Morning Workshop: How the brain learns: Discussion of Neurodiversity among students 09/21
Presenter(s): Erica Wager and Sandy Zetlan
8:00AM - 11:45AM *Plaza Gallery
Things like TBIs (Traumatic Brain Injuries), Depression, being on the Autism Spectrum, Stress, etc. can impact how a student learns. Come to this presentation to have a preliminary discussion on how stressors and genetic predispositions can impact a learner, and ideally, how we can support those learners in our school. This discussion will specifically cover the mechanisms the brain uses to remember things; including how to make it more likely to remember (persistence, making learning interesting, exciting, and therefore memorable (how), and stress (how it interferes with learning and how to decrease it).

### CTL Lunch n’ Learn: Employee Event with the Chancellor 09/23
Presenter(s): Dr. Maria Harper-Marinick
12:00PM - 1:30PM *MON-CTL
Dr. Maria Harper-Marinick serves as Chancellor of the Maricopa Community Colleges. In this lunch n’ learn event, learn updates about the Maricopa Transformation process and other major District updates, followed by a question and answer session with attendees.
### SEPTEMBER

**Closed-Captioning for Videos 09/24**  
Presenter(s): Daniel Reichstein  
11:00AM - 12:00PM *MON-CTL157B  
Video content that is to be used by the college must have closed-captions available in order to be ADA compliant. This workshop will explore the methods of creating closed-captions for videos using YouTube's built-in captioning tool and Amara.org's video subtitling tool.

**Diversified Instruction Techniques 09/25, 09/26**  
Presenter(s): Kristy Miller  
09/25 - 2:00PM - 3:00PM *MON-CTL N  
09/26 - 1:00PM - 2:00PM *MON-CTL N  
Most of us realize that varying instruction techniques can help reach more students. It is sometimes unclear when to vary, how to vary, and when it is too much. Join Kristy Miller, anthropologist and PhD Candidate in Education, to explore diversified instruction techniques and how they are applicable to your classroom—whatever your subject may be.

### OCTOBER

**SAC Pedagogy Luncheon 10/03**  
Presenter(s): Becky Baranowski and Roni Collazo  
1:30 PM - 3:00 PM *MON-CTL N  
Topic in planning stages.

**Saturday Morning Workshop:[tech]Teach: Getting Apps To Work For You 10/05**  
Presenter(s): Leslie Arriaga and Olga Tsoudis  
8:00AM - 11:45AM *MON 284  
Practical, hands-on understanding of the development of class culture and interactive lessons through the use of apps that foster creativity and learning. Attendees will create a lesson they can seamlessly share and integrate in Canvas, learn the benefits of QR codes and how to create them.

**Monday Meditation 10/07, 10/14, 10/21, 10/28**  
Presenter(s): Erik Huntsinger  
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**Drupal Training 10/09**  
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<td>Julie Magadan and Regina Harrison</td>
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<td>Through a series of hands-on activities, you will: apply the essential QM standards to your own course. We will review your own course for alignment and develop a course improvement plan. To participate, you must have your own online or hybrid course to review during this workshop. Pending FPG approval - 4 clock hours</td>
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<td>Advanced Canvas is a 6 week Online course designed to teach faculty and staff about the more complex features of Canvas. We will cover features such as Analytics, 3rd Party Apps, and module design. Pending FPG approval - 12 clock hours</td>
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<td>Skills Credentialing Program - Basic Video Production 10/14-11/22</td>
<td>Jim Heinrich</td>
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<td>Online Course: 10/14 to 11/22</td>
<td>In this six-week hybrid workshop, learn the basic skills of video production. Learn fundamental principles for creating videos using common devices (e.g., a smartphone), perform basic editing functions, render a video file, and upload to a website. Pending FPG approval - 20 clock hours</td>
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How to Have Difficult Conversations 10/29  
Presenter(s): Alicia Martindale  
9:00AM - 12:00 PM *Plaza Gallery  
Most people avoid discussing critical issues for many reasons. In this training, we will discuss why we avoid difficult conversations and what it is costing us by not having the conversations we need to have. We will also share information on how to address tough topics in a healthy way, and offer suggestions on how to start the conversation.

Monday Meditation 11/4, 11/18, 11/25  
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CTL Lunch n' Learn: Skills Credentialing Update & Professional Development Pathways 11/05  
Presenter(s): Erik Huntsinger  
12:00PM -1:30PM *MON-CTL N  
The CTL has begun a new way of engaging employees in their professional development with the skills credentialing pathways this semester. What future programs should be developed, and how will they connect together? Learn where we are at in the process and give your ideas on how to develop future programming for the years to come.

Adobe Acrobat 11/06  
Presenter(s): Najmah Muhammad  
2:00PM -3:00PM *MON-CTL N  
Stop in and learn how to create fillable forms using Adobe Acrobat.

Cultivating Student Voice Through ePortfolios 11/06  
Presenter(s): Regina Harrison  
2:00PM - 4:00PM *CTL N  
During this workshop participants will be exposed to current research that discusses the relevance of ePortfolios and the transfer of the use of ePortfolios to student long term goals and employment opportunities post education. The workshop will focus on effective ways to go beyond basic requirements of teaching and use the reflection opportunities ePortfolios afford students to notice and understand their own learning.  
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—LEO BUSCAGLIA
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<td>Dr. Tsoudis’ sabbatical focused on social awareness through art. Come learn about Including art in your curriculum with an interactive workshop. Wear clothing that is ok with glue and paint. This workshop has been approved for FPG - 3 clock hours.</td>
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<td>Faculty from across the disciplines have designed their courses in different ways to engage their students and facilitate the learning process. Learn from faculty members as they present their course design principles and come away with multiple ideas for improving your courses.</td>
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“Yesterday I was clever, so I changed the world. Today I am wise, so I am changing myself.” –Rumi
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