Welcome to the Queens College Center for Teaching and Learning!

The Center's mission is to recognize, promote, and sustain the quality of teaching and learning at Queens College, by offering opportunities for discussion among faculty from all divisions about classroom and teaching issues, new pedagogies, best practices, and innovative course design, as well as by fostering the scholarship of teaching and learning. Ultimately, our objective is to enhance student learning by creating a supportive environment for Queens College faculty, in which teaching and learning are deeply integrated within the context of research within the disciplines.

This academic year, we look forward to great strides in the campus-wide work on general education. We are delighted to have Professor Judith Summerfield, our new Dean of General Education, back at Queens, guiding this important work. Alongside the new Office of General Education, the Center is working with both the General Education Advisory Committee (GEAC) and the Writing Intensive Subcommittee (WISC), both subcommittees of the Undergraduate Curriculum Committee of the Academic Senate. We also collaborate with the Academic Advising Center and with the recently formed General Education Council. For updates on progress on the general education front, check the Gen Ed at QC area of this web.

We continue to offer a range of opportunities for faculty to explore all aspects of teaching and learning. Watch for future offerings by checking our Events blog (or subscribe to its live feed). And please let me know if you have a suggestion for a workshop or other event!

We are also constantly looking to expand on information relevant to all types of teaching and learning endeavors; these materials are be collected in the still small but growing Resources area. Also check News (or subscribe to its live feed) for related announcements.

I will again be on sabbatical during the spring 2010 semester, but am delighted that the Center will again be steered by Claudia Perry, Associate Professor in the Graduate School of Library and Information Studies. Claudia's leadership in our ePortfolios project has resulted in a vigorous pilot program currently underway. Thanks for your outstanding work, Claudia!

If you want to learn more, explore our web or come by and participate in one of our Events. We are physically located in Razran 316, and form part of the Razran Complex: the coordinated headquarters of General Education, Writing Across the Curriculum, and the Educational Technology Lab.

Best wishes for the new semester (already well underway!),

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