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## Funding Available for Pedagogy Workshops Academic Year 2023-2024

The College is pleased to announce the continuation of the program to support pedagogical workshops that explore new instructional strategies or techniques. This program allows a faculty member to invite outside experts to teach a particular pedagogical technique, mode, or approach to other faculty in their department and/or across departments, with the aim of enhancing the academic offerings of the College. Topics might include interdisciplinary teaching, student learning assessment, technology in the classroom, multi-media teaching challenges, restructuring curriculum, new curricular initiatives, engaged learning, service learning, globalized student populations, facilitating diversity, respect in the classroom, teaching difficult topics in the classroom, online workshops, flipped classroom instruction, and more. In particular, we solicit proposals that would assist faculty in incorporating contemporary moral, cultural, scientific, social, racial or medical material and issues into existing courses. All departments are encouraged to coordinate a workshop in any given year.

In recent years we have been able to host workshops by the following experts:

- Novelist and journalist Ana Menendez presented "Writing Beyond Borders: Tools and Strategies for Teaching Multilingual Writing" for the Creative Writing Program.
- Dr. Yael Granot-Bein from the University of Haifa offered a workshop entitled "Teaching about the Holocaust."
- Dr. Kathleen Potts, City College of New York, led, "Gender, Race, Class, and Sexual Identity: Teaching Dramaturgy for the Ring Theatre's The Wild Party."
- Drs. Mike Kestemont and Enrique Manjavacas taught "Modelling Hogwarts. A Speed Introduction to Digital Text Analysis" as part of a larger Digital Humanities symposium hosted at UM.
- Artist-activist Nicole Brewer offered "Conscientious Theatre Training: The Charge for Curricular Overhaul in 21<sup>st</sup> Century Theatre Training Pedagogy."

We have also hosted colleagues who have helped move beyond lectures in large STEM classes, reshape the introductory course in American Studies, offer GIS online, teach languages leveraging our students' knowledge, utilizing civic engagement and social media to immerse students in a different culture, and more.

The College has set aside \$2,000 per department for this initiative. Proposals for workshops to take place in late Fall 2023 or Spring 2024 will be accepted and reviewed through the Fall 2023 semester.

Proposals to the Dean's Office should include and need not be more than one page in length:

- primary contact person;
- structure, purpose, and instructional benefits of the workshop;
- proposed budget;
- department chair's or program director's signature to indicate support of the proposal/workshop

**Please submit your proposals at [pedagogyworkshops@miami.edu](mailto:pedagogyworkshops@miami.edu).**