



Faculty Learning Series • Spring 2023

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Focus on Teaching: SCICU Excellence in Teaching Spotlight

Dr. Joni Criswell, Department Chair and Associate Professor of Biology
Nathan Cox, Director, CLTE

Joni Criswell was Anderson University's 2022 recipient of the South Carolina Independent Colleges and Universities Excellence in Teaching Award. She'll discuss how she used the associated SCICU grant to create the AU HistoLab - a digital histology learning resource of Anderson University's microscopy slides.

In the past few years, the field of histology has become increasingly digital in nature, with some schools only offering online histology courses. This has led to the development of several histology-based apps and web pages that are currently available to the public. However, many of these either lack rigor or are focused on medical students, or are not cost-effective, requiring payment to access. Joni's project focused on providing Anderson University students with free access to a mobile learning resource that with high quality histology images that are correctly labeled and identified.

Information on how to apply for this year's \$3,000 grant/award will follow.

Friday Jan. 20, 10:10

Thrift 002 or Zoom at <https://andersonuniversity.zoom.us/j/94638526536>

New Faculty Workshop 3: IDEA Results Interpretations

Nathan Cox, Director, CLTE

Just before the break, you received your IDEA Course Rating results – perhaps your first ever at AU. You may have done what many instructors do... looked at the summary numbers, read the comments, and moved on with some level of satisfaction or disappointment. While the Summative and Qualitative information is important, other feedback will tell you more about your students' actual learning. In this session you will learn how to look deeper into IDEA results, where to find useful related teaching resources, and how to focus your efforts to maximize improvements in your teaching. This session is an extension of the New Faculty Orientation program for our newly hired colleagues. New faculty should attend, but *all faculty are welcome and encouraged*. We will also discuss how IDEA Course Ratings contribute to evidence of effective teaching in your Annual/Biennial Performance Review. These results should only comprise 1/3 of the evidence for effective teaching. Do you know what evidence is meant to represent the 2/3?

Friday Jan 27th, 10:10

Thrift 002 or Zoom at <https://andersonuniversity.zoom.us/j/99911623942>

“Let’s Talk About Academic Integrity!” Cultivating Transparency and Trust Between You and Your Students

Dr. Tori Dalzell, Director of Writing and Research for Graduate Programs

Plagiarism can indicate a student’s lack of mechanical skill or intention to deceive. But are these the only reasons that plagiarism appears in student writing? Research indicates that “plagiarism” in student work is more often tied to their learning process—attempts to understand unstated academic conventions, learn a new discourse, and shape their scholarly identity—and can happen at both undergraduate and graduate levels. In this workshop, Tori will draw on scholarship of teaching and learning as well as her own experience as a classroom instructor and writing coach to help faculty reflect on academic conventions for engaging others’ work and determine how they can make these conventions transparent for their students.

Friday Feb. 10th, 10:10

Thrift 002 or Zoom at <https://andersonuniversity.zoom.us/j/99979585607>

***On Christian Teaching: Practicing Faith in the Classroom* - Reading Discussion Group, part 1**

Dr. Ryan Butler

Dr. Butler will lead a series of three discussions of [*On Christian Teaching* by David I. Smith](#), director of the Kuyers Institute for Christian Teaching and Learning and professor of education at Calvin College.

Christian teachers have long been thinking about what content to teach, but little scholarship has been devoted to how faith forms the actual process of teaching. Is there a way to go beyond Christian perspectives on the subject matter and think about the teaching itself as Christian? In this book, David Smith argues that faith has a critical role in shaping pedagogy and the learning experience.

Smith’s scholarly exploration of education combines both theory and practice. With clever and sometimes funny examples, he shows how teachers of every subject and age group can be attentive to how their students are experiencing and interpreting learning. From desk arrangement to discussion questions, there are myriad opportunities to design classes that are deeply rooted in Christian practices. *On Christian Teaching* provides fresh insight into Christian education that expresses faith and community.

Sign up at https://anderson.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_6P4hOGzXvzdkBaC

Stop by the CLTE to pick up a copy of the book.

Friday Feb. 17th, 10:10

Thrift 002 or Zoom at <https://andersonuniversity.zoom.us/j/91709211481>

Academic Advising Workshop (Registration opens Monday, March 27)

Dr. Meg Walworth

Whether you are new to advising traditional students, need a different way to help track your students’ progress toward their degrees (not comfortable with Workday’s Academic Progress function yet?), or just feel like you might be forgetting important details, this session can help. We’ll leave plenty of time for Q & A, especially for those who have questions about how to use Workday for advising and registration.

Friday Feb. 24th, 10:10

Thrift 002 or Zoom at <https://andersonuniversity.zoom.us/j/97509583638>

***On Christian Teaching: Practicing Faith in the Classroom* - Reading Discussion Group, part 2**

Dr. Ryan Butler

Part two in a series of three discussions of *On Christian Teaching* by David I. Smith, director of the Kuyers Institute for Christian Teaching and Learning and professor of education at Calvin College.

Haven't read the book, or missed the last discussion? Don't let that stop you from joining the conversation.

Friday Mar. 3rd, 10:10

Thrift 002 or Zoom at <https://andersonuniversity.zoom.us/j/91709211481>

Faith and Learning Dialog: Biblical Roots of Immigration

Dr. Tim McKnight

Dr. Channing Crisler

Dr. Gilbert Eyabi

Join our colleagues for a discussion of what we can and should learn from scripture about one of the most controversial political topics featured in campaign rhetoric and the news cycle.

Friday Mar. 24th, 10:10

Thrift 002 or Zoom at <https://andersonuniversity.zoom.us/j/94178918756>

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Friday Mar. 31st, 10:10

Thrift 002 or Zoom at <https://andersonuniversity.zoom.us/j/91709211481>

Caffeine for the Journey

Take a break and recharge before the end of classes, finals week, and your final grading marathon. Coffee, food and fellowship will be bountiful.

Friday Apr. 21th, 10:10

Location TBA
