

To: CPP Faculty

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Subject: Week 13 refresh; lots of support to end the year

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Dear faculty,

Here in Week 13 students have likely forgotten material from early on. Here are three ideas to wake memories up as we approach the final exam (which should be cumulative for the best learning, by the way!):

- *The cold water splash:* Announce that next week you'll have an ungraded, credit-only, in-class activity composed of problems or material from Week 1 on. Be reassuring, because even though the activity is ungraded, students will likely react with some fear.
- *The slow drip:* To every class meeting from now on, add a couple of problems, warm-up questions, minute papers, or such small activities that require students to *recall* previous information and skills. The recall aspect is important! This should not be open notes.
- *The cup of hot tea:* Give a more complex task -- elaboration. When introducing a new topic, have students write in their own words how the new topic relates to material they (should) already know from previous weeks.

Hey, it's time for a little fun! Join CAFE for [Faculty Day!](#)

Take care,

Victoria

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In this email:

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[Faculty Day!](#) Thursday May 9, ~11:30am -- ~1pm, Centerpointe Dining Commons

This long-standing celebration of faculty is CAFE's treat! All CPP faculty -- full-time, part-time, retired, new, and all in between -- are invited to enjoy lunch and time with colleagues for this fully in-person event. Come as you can and leave when you need to. [Please register](#) (it's helpful for the hardworking folks at Centerpointe to know who's coming!).

Research, Scholarship, & Creative Activities:

- **Research Mixer (ReMix) for STEM Faculty:** Thursday April 25, 4:00 – 5:30pm, [Bldg 4, Room 2-314](#). Hosted by [Matt Povich](#), this informal gathering (with snacks!) provides discussion and ideas for your research. Please [indicate your interest](#).
- **Grant Writing Retreat May 28 - 30:** The Office of Research, Innovation, & Economic Development hosts an in-person, two-day writing retreat at [Pacific Palms Resort](#). Limited to 25 participants. [Register by Thursday April 25](#) (sign-in required). Contact [Craig LaMunyon](#) for more info.
- **NSF Catalyst grant:** If you are considering submitting a “Catalyst” proposal to the NSF AGEP program, please email [Victoria Bhavsar](#). CAFE is submitting; let’s collaborate, not compete.

Teaching Nuts & Bolts:

- **Save students money in selecting books:** With Fall 2024 course material selections due soon, Suzanne Donnelly of the Bronco Bookstore will hold a series of Zoom office hours to consult about your specific class. See the schedule at CAFE’s [programs & events page](#).
- **AI for Teaching & Learning:** From the Chancellor’s Office, summer opportunities for a free, asynchronous, 3-week course on using AI for teaching & learning. [Register asap](#), as these courses fill fast!
- **Summer courses for improving any class:** From the Chancellor’s Office, summer opportunities for a variety of free, asynchronous, 3-week courses. More than 270 CPP faculty have taken these courses, with 90% of course completers agreeing that they got information that helped them to create an overall better learning experience for their students. [Choose and register soon](#), as classes fill up.
- **Call for Multimedia Learning Object projects from CAFE:** CAFE can work with you to create customized multimedia learning objects to help your students work through knotty concepts! Learn about a [few CPP faculty members’ experiences](#) and [submit a request](#) for an MLO of your own.

Faculty Career:

- **Parenting Faculty Group Lunch: Tuesday April 30, 11:30am – 1pm.** [Please register](#). Cindy Pickett, Presidential Associate for Inclusion and Chief Diversity Officer, will discuss forming an “EAG.” The Parenting Faculty Group is open to all lecturers and tenure-line faculty who consider themselves parents! To join, contact [Julie Shen](#).
- **Academic Leadership Learning Community:** Facilitated by Dr. Lisa Kessler, this is for faculty who want to think deeply about the leadership needs of the campus and may be interested in entering the leadership pipeline. [Applications](#) due April 26.
- **“Everybody’s Mentor”:** Lisa Kessler, CAFE faculty associate and retired interim Dean of Agriculture, provides individual, confidential consultation and coaching. Email [Lisa](#) directly to set up an appointment.

Friends of CAFE:

- [Wellness Series](#) (requires login): This 5-part workshop series integrates timeless practices and insights to focus on a holistic approach to wellness. Learn about contemplative practice, nutrition, sleep, “clutter busting,” and spending psychology. Go to the [registration page](#) for all the details.
- **Academic Innovation Summer Conference:** May 29 – 31, on campus. Faculty members play a unique role in students' career trajectory. “Explore the Future of Work” to learn new ways to successfully engage your students while helping prepare them for their future careers, with minimal tweaks to what you already do!
- **Feedback on the Principles of Community Statement:** The Office of Inclusive Excellence has drafted CPP’s Principles of Community statement based on the results of the recent campus survey. The statement establishes the guiding values, norms, and expectations for our campus that will help foster a positive and inclusive environment. [Share your thoughts](#) on the draft by Friday, April 26.
- **Service-Learning Faculty Fellows:** The Center for Community Engagement invites all faculty to apply. CCE Faculty. [Applications](#) (requires log-in) are due Friday, April 26.
- **Student Affairs Extended Hours Pilot:** Through May 9, Student Affairs resources will be available on Tuesdays & Thursdays from 5pm to 7pm in the Care Center (Bldg. 97, Campus Marketplace, 1st Floor). Staff members will assist students AND faculty or staff. Services include Counseling and Psychological Services, Disability Resource Center, Student Conduct and Integrity, Survivor Advocacy Services, and the Wellness Center.

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