To: CPP Faculty
From: Victoria Bhavsar
Subject: "StudentLingo" resource; lots of programs & events
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Dear faculty,

This is a very practical resource to offer to your students: StudentLingo (requires CPP login), provided by the Office of Student Success. StudentLingo offers short 15- to 25-minute modules with podcast and video. There are currently 50 topics available, including ethical and academically helpful generative AI use, developing critical thinking skills, overcoming math anxiety, handling failure, preparing for exams, working in groups, a whole set of "Adulting 101," and many more. You might even pick up some tips yourself!

Take care,

Victoria

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Special Programs

- **Pilot program for generative AI**: Learn key concepts, tools, and applications of generative AI. Created in collaboration with Microsoft and Avenade, led by Alex Harwood in IT&IP, this self-paced online training will require **a**pproximately 1.5 to 3 hours. You'll be asked to provide insights and feedback to help shape AI training across campus. ***We're seeking at least 20 faculty from various disciplines.*** Please email Victoria Bhavsar by Friday Jan. 31 if interested.
- ***First Year Experience Learning Community*:** **Selected Thursdays 11:45am – 1:00pm.** Enjoy a collegial community for FYE instructors, and create and share course materials! Led by Nina Abramzon (FYE Chair, Physics & Astronomy) and Dora Lee (FYE Chair, AVP Academic Engagement and Success), with April Dawn and Donya Rahimi from CAFE. See the application form for more details and questions.

Career & Community:

- ***Lecturer Evaluation Narrative Workshops*: Monday Feb. 3 or Tuesday Feb. 4, 11:00am – 1:00pm, via Zoom.** Covers the parts of an effective self-evaluation narrative, analyzing and describing student ratings data, and other materials to include in an evaluation packet. All lecturers are invited, but the target audience is lecturers required to submit a packet for annual or 3-year evaluation. Please register.
- ***Last Call! Book Discussion "Say the Right Thing":* Spring Semester.** *Say the Right Thing: How to Talk About Identity, Diversity, and Justice* by Kenji Yoshino and David Glasgow is a "practical, shame-free guide for navigating conversations across our differences." Facilitated by Cindy Pickett (Psychology), take time to explore tangible strategies for fostering understanding and not alienate each other. Choose from in-person and Zoom options to accommodate your schedule, and choose a hard copy or Kindle book. Please register.
- **Thinking about retiring?** Spring 2025, join the "Finding Retirement Fulfillment Learning Community" for all faculty thinking about retirement and/or FERPing. Share strategies and plans for a successful retirement in a confidential, caring community. Contact Lisa Kessler to learn more.

Teaching Nuts & Bolts:

- **Request an Espresso review!** Trained CAFE team members can go through your Canvas course in 2 hours and provide detailed feedback based on the core elements of the QLT Rubric. This review is totally non-evaluative and feedback goes only to you, to use as you see fit. One faculty member who had an espresso review said, "For such a quick review, the feedback included things I can change quickly and things I can consider for future. The review itself was very welcoming and supportive. I appreciate you highlighting both the strengths of the course and areas of concern."
- **Offer an outstanding hybrid or remote course: CSU Online Course Services** offers professional development courses that are accepted by most CPP departments as training for offering courses in hybrid or remote formats. Spring sessions are now open: Feb. 24 – March 16 and March 24 – April 20. Choose from *Introduction to Teaching Online Using QLT*, *Advanced QLT Course in Teaching Online*, *Reviewing Courses with the QLT Rubric*, and *AI Tools for Teaching and Learning*. Learn more and register.
- ***Canvas help in general:*** Submit a Canvas ticket, email Canvas@cpp.edu, OR call 909-869-3099, M-F 8am – 5pm.

Teacher-Scholar:

- ***SPICE grant feedback:*** Lisa Kessler, CAFE Faculty Fellow, is available to provide feedback on SPICE grant proposals. Please email Lisa directly.
- ***Digital Humanities Consortium Scicom Toolbox:*** This online learning community created by Denisse Vasquez-Guevara (Communication) offers research-based science communication tools for public engagement with non-expert audiences from diverse cultures and backgrounds. 20 spots are available for the self-guided, 2-month workshop and YouTube channel. Please apply!

Friends of CAFE:

- ***Dr. Temple Grandin to speak at Cal Poly Pomona*:** **Tuesday Feb. 11, 5:30 – 6:30pm, in person, Ursa Major in the Bronco Student Center.** Dr. Grandin is a world-renowned speaker and expert in animal behavior and autism, with insights into teaching and learning for neurodivergence. She has authored influential books including *Thinking in Pictures* and *The Autistic Brain*, and appeared on prominent news programs such as *20/20*, *60 Minutes*, and *Prime Time*. This is an incredibly special opportunity for us and our students. Please register quickly.
- ***Office of Interdisciplinary Ethnic Studies Teaching & Scholarship Symposium*** **[Instagram link]: Friday Feb. 21, 2025, 8:30am- 3:00pm, in person at Kellogg West.** Join scholars from CPP and the region to discuss "Returning to the Roots: Creating a Community-Responsive Ethnic Studies in Higher Education." OIES also offers conference travel awards and grants to co-sponsor events; proposal due Feb. 28, 2025. For questions, contact oies@cpp.edu.
- ***Michelle Zauner to speak at Cal Poly Pomona*: *Author of "Crying in H-Mart"***: **Thursday Feb. 27, 11:45am, Ursa Major in the Bronco Student Center.** *Crying in H-Mart* is our 2024-25 Common Read. The event will consist of a guided conversation and book signing. Please register quickly.
- ***Parenting Student Allyship Training*:** **Thursday March 6, 2:00—4:00pm, via Zoom.** Get information and resources to serve as an Ally to students at CPP who are parents! This session includes a panel of Parenting Students as well as information from CAPS and others who provide services. Please register.

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