

# Teaching Matters Workshop Series

Open to all graduate students

## Fall 2012 Schedule



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| Date                             | Workshop                                                   | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
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| M. Sept.<br>17, 11 am<br>KL 159  | Engaging Students<br>through Active<br>Learning            | About half of our students are first-generation students (defined as neither parent having graduated from a 4-year university). This workshop will focus on best-practices and techniques for supporting their learning.   |
| Th. Sept.<br>27, 10 am<br>KL 159 | Helping Students<br>Study and Think in<br>Their Discipline | Are your students listening but not really hearing the lecture? This workshop will discuss various ways to help students listen to and learn from a lecture as well as how to help them begin to think in your discipline. |
| Th. Oct.<br>11, 3 pm<br>KL159    | Grading Effectively<br>and Efficiently                     | Midterms are approaching, and this workshop will address how to create a rubric and grade more efficiently.                                                                                                                |
| W. Oct. 17,<br>1 pm<br>KL 159    | Learning from a Panel<br>of Experienced TAs                | Experienced Teaching Assistants offer a panel discussion.                                                                                                                                                                  |
| Mon. Oct.<br>29, 10 am<br>KL 159 | Using Student<br>Evaluations to<br>Improve Teaching        | How should you interpret your student evaluations? This workshop will help you determine which aspects of the evaluations will serve to guide you towards constructive changes in your teaching.                           |
| Th. Nov.<br>15, 11 am<br>KL 360  | Making Assessments<br>Work for You                         | This workshop will introduce graduate students to formative assessments, featuring SATAL services.                                                                                                                         |

\*Specific dates, time, and location will be posted on website: <http://crte.ucmerced.edu>.



The Teaching Matters Series offers professional development in teaching and learning to all UCM graduate students, especially teaching assistants. To increase awareness of UCM's community of experienced teachers, many workshops will be led by select faculty members and moderated by TAs. Workshops in this series count towards the CRTE Instructional Internship credit as well as the professional development requirement of participating schools. If you have any questions about this series or if you're an experienced TA interested in helping plan and present future workshops, please contact Amy Fenstermaker ([afenstermaker@ucmerced.edu](mailto:afenstermaker@ucmerced.edu)).