SoTL Resources

The following SoTL resources, programming, and educational services were developed in response to a CTSI survey of University of Toronto faculty. Faculty reported the need for a wide range of resources and offerings to bolster their skills and confidence to conduct inquiry and research into their teaching and student learning. Faculty also expressed the desire to connect with others for skills sharing and to develop a community of SoTL scholars. CTSI seeks to meet these needs through its varied and wide range of offerings throughout the year.

SoTL Website
The ‘Research on Teaching’ tab of the CTSI website includes a range of events, notes/video recordings, resources, publications & dissemination information. Check regularly for updates: http://teaching.utoronto.ca/sotl/what-is-sotl/

SoTL Tip Sheets
The SoTL Tip sheets are a series of brief resources to assist faculty of all experience levels to learn how they may engage in meaningful, guided, and intentional reflection on their teaching, to nurture a sense of curiosity about their teaching practice, and to begin the process of conducting a SoTL project.

SoTL Listserv
Subscribe to the CTSI SoTL Listserv to become a member of the SoTL community and to receive email notices of upcoming meetings and workshops at CTSI, conference and publication opportunities, and to connect with peers by posting SoTL-related questions/comments. To subscribe to the listserv please email Kathleen Olmstead: k.olmstead@utoronto.ca.

SoTL Consultations
One-to-one in-person or phone consultations are available for instructors. To consult with a CTSI staff on a SoTL project: http://teaching.utoronto.ca/teaching-support/consultations/
To consult with a Liaison Librarian to explore the SoTL academic literature: http://resource.library.utoronto.ca/liaison/

SoTL Programming

• **SoTL Workshop Series:** Held throughout the year that focus on a range of SoTL topics, led by CTSI staff and U of T faculty with expertise in research on teaching topics. Check the Events page to register: http://teaching.utoronto.ca/events/.

• **SoTL Cohort Program:** A year-long program (June-May) to support up to 15 continuing appointment faculty who will work together on their individual (or group) SoTL projects, through structured workshops, individual consultations and peer mentoring. Faculty will develop skills in project design and execution, as well as contribute to a culture of SoTL activity at U of T. The Call for Applicants occurs in the Spring.

• **Lunch ‘n Learn Series:** CTSI hosts lunch-hour sessions to share ideas and experiences on a diverse range of research on teaching topics.

Teaching and Learning Symposium
Held annually in May, this event stimulates discussion and the sharing of research, practices and experiences around teaching and learning. The Research on Teaching sessions are an opportunity for faculty to showcase research-in-progress to the wider teaching and learning community.

Grants Workshop
Held during the summer, this workshop shares important information on two Provostial grants available to support education and teaching at U of T: Learning and Education Advancement Fund (LEAF) and Instructional Technology Innovation Fund (ITIF).

To stay abreast of these and other faculty development activities, please subscribe to the CTSI newsletter to learn about ongoing events and workshops.