Welcome to teaching at Iowa! Join the discussion about how to organize and teach undergraduate courses so that they provide the best learning experiences for your students. The workshop will offer suggestions gleaned from experienced teachers and the teaching/learning literature. We also will introduce you to the services offered by the Center for Teaching.

Monday August 21 - 10:00-11:00 - English/Philosophy Building 102
Tuesday August 22 - 11:00-12:00 - Schaeffer Hall 51

Discussion is an integral part of learning to be a critical thinker. But effective, engaging discussions don’t just happen, they are nurtured by good teaching. Join us in talking about how to encourage students to come to class primed to participate.

Wednesday August 23 - 1:00-2:00 - English/Philosophy Building 102
Thursday August 24 - 11:00-12:00 - Macbride Hall 118

It was a dark and stormy semester… and students learned better because of it. Stories, cases, metaphor, vignettes, character, plot, setting, and action—the elements of narrative can be powerful tools for long-term learning. This workshop will provide techniques for using story to enhance knowledge retention and critical thinking.

Monday September 11 - 11:00-Noon - Schaeffer Hall 51

This discussion will focus on gender diversity in teaching and learning. To spark discussion, Chris Brus, Director of Women in Science and Engineering (WISE) and Carolyn Colvin, Associate Professor of Teaching and Learning will share information and pose questions related to diversity of student needs and learning styles. Participants will share ideas for teaching tools to address student needs and learning styles.

Wednesday October 4 - 11:00-1:00 - Adler Journalism Building E205

This discussion will bring together Teaching Assistants, Center for Teaching staff, and University administrators to talk about the particular needs of graduate students as they do and develop their roles as instructors, mentors, and student/faculty liaisons. The conversation will serve as a springboard for the Center to launch future workshops specifically targeted to the needs of University of Iowa TAs.

Wednesday November 1 - 11:00-12:00 - English/Philosophy Building 203

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