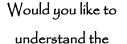# McGill

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Course Design and Teaching Workshop

Would you like to understand the teaching and learning process better?

Date: May 11, 12,15,16 and 17, 2006

Time: 9:00-4:30 daily

Location: McLennan Library Building, 3459 McTavish Street

Room: MS-12

Teaching and Learning Services (TLS) invites all full-time McGill professors to participate in the Course Design and Teaching Workshop. In this 30-hour intensive workshop participants learn and apply:

- Course design principles to design or re-design one of their courses
- Instructional principles in their teaching

The workshop integrates large and small group activities with opportunities for individuals to design a course. Large group activities include presentations of major concepts, and cases illustrating their application to actual McGill courses. Small multi-disciplinary groups focus on course design and microteaching. A principled approach to course design is supported by recorded teaching episodes, self-critique and peer feedback. These activities provide the opportunity to learn about different strategies for teaching, and to experiment with them in a non-threatening and supportive environment.

Previous participants report that the lively discussions and feedback often lead to new insights about their course content and alternative ways of teaching and that, by the end of the workshop, they feel more confident in making instructional decisions to support their students' learning.

The exchange of ideas and their application to the participants' individual courses throughout the week is a key aspect of the learning process in the workshop. Therefore, it is essential that participants bring to the workshop a McGill course that they intend to design or re-design, and that they are able to attend all workshop sessions. Readings and other preparation activities are expected in the evenings.

To register, please e-mail Mary-Jo Rahal at (mary-josephine.rahal@mcgill.ca) or phone (398-6648) by Apr 28, 2006. Please note that registration is limited and availability is on a first-come, first-served basis.

For specific questions about the nature of the workshop, please contact Dr. Mariela Tovar, workshop coordinator, by e-mail (mariela.tovar@mcgill.ca) or phone (398-5996/6648).