
Contemplative pedagogy is a way for instructors to empower students to integrate their own experience into the theoretical material they are being taught in order to deepen their understanding; help students to develop sophisticated problem-solving skills; and support students’ sense of connection to and compassion for others; and engender inquiries into students’ most profound questions.


This handbook offers faculty a wide array of theory-based techniques designed for online teaching and technology-enhanced courses. Written by two pioneers in distance education, this guidebook presents practical instructional strategies spread out over a four-phase timeline that covers the lifespan of a course. It includes information on course management, social presence, community building, and assessment.


This book illustrates how technology is most powerfully used outside the classroom, and, when used effectively, how it can ensure that students arrive to class more prepared for meaningful interaction with faculty. Bowen offers practical advice for faculty and administrators on how to engage students with new technology while restructuring classes into more active learning environments.


This book serves as a practical guide to outcomes-based assessment in student affairs is designed to help readers meet the growing demand for accountability and for demonstrating student learning. The authors offer a framework for implementing the assessment of student learning and development and pragmatic advice on the strategies most appropriate for the readers’ particular circumstances.


It can seem at times as though all of academic administration today is focused only on the need for continual change and the endless pursuit of “the big idea.” This book takes an entirely different approach to developing your proven academic leadership: It introduces one practical and field-tested idea each day for an entire academic year.

This book is an extraordinarily helpful guide for anyone facing the daunting challenge of putting together a course and delivering it successfully. Representing teachers at all stages of their careers, the authors, including distinguished historian Alan Brinkley, offer practical advice for almost any situation a new teacher might face, from preparing a syllabus to managing classroom dynamics. Beginning with a nuts and bolts plan for designing a course, the handbook also explains how to lead a discussion, evaluate your own teaching, give an effective lecture, supervise students' writing and research, create and grade exams, and more.


This book emphasizes the teacher’s role as a facilitator of learning rather than a transmitter of knowledge. It is designed to be practical and accessible and will support good teachers in becoming even better at what they do. Each chapter seeks to explain how different aspects of learning and assessment work (the theory) as well as providing descriptions of educational approaches that work (the practice).


This book explores best practices for effective teaching and learning about various forms of systemic group privilege such as that based on race, gender, sexuality, religion, and class.


This book illustrates how higher education can respond to the forces of disruptive innovation, and offers a nuanced and hopeful analysis of where the traditional university and its traditions have come from and how it needs to change for the future.


This book provides a practical, focused, on-the-ground approach to help chairs learn to deal with challenging colleagues. Based on the literature in the field as well as on his own research and experience, the author outlines six steps for successfully dealing with any kind of a challenging colleague.


This book provides a clear understanding of the concept of social justice on college campuses, including aspects of identity development and oppression. The authors discuss institutional and historical systems of power and how these affect identity and relationships. The second half of the book provides conceptual tools and strategies to help design and implement social justice programs on campuses.

In this book, top researchers in the field of learning science and educational technology examine the current state of design and research on Digital Teaching Platforms (DTPs), the principles for evaluating them, and their likely evolution as a dominant medium for educational improvement. The authors examine DTPs in light of contemporary classroom requirements, as well as current initiatives such as the Common Core State Standards, Race to the Top, and the 2010 National Educational Technology Plan.


While the last two decades have seen an increase in our knowledge about how students learn, about leadership and change, and about how institutions work, there has been, over the same period, little change in how this information is used. The goal of this book is to help close this gap between research and practice.


This book helps you make a strong connection with your audience and lead them to purposeful action. The author's approach is simple: building a presentation today is a bit like writing a documentary. Using this approach, you'll convey your content with passion, persuasion, and impact.


Offering the insight and experience of dedicated medical educators, this book includes: practical applications of learning theories to better meet learners needs, characteristics of successful medical teachers, approaches to developing faculty and improving clinical teaching, vignettes addressing specific clinical teaching challenges, and resources and literature for medical teachers to enhance their knowledge.


In this book the author offers a clear and user-friendly map to this maze. Drawing on decades of experience in academia, he provides a comprehensive, empirically grounded, and, most important of all, practical guide to academic life.


In this book the authors explore what it means to be “app-dependent” versus “app-enabled” and how life for this generation differs from life before the digital era. Through innovative research, including interviews of young people, focus groups of those who work with them, and a unique comparison of youthful artistic productions before and after the digital revolution, the authors
uncover the drawbacks of apps: they may foreclose a sense of identity, encourage superficial relations with others, and stunt creative imagination.


This tool, intended for students and non-students alike, enables readers to examine systems of privilege and difference in our society. Written in an accessible, conversational style, Johnson links theory with engaging examples in ways that enable readers to see the underlying nature and consequences of privilege and their connection to it.


In this book, the author cultivates a bodily investigation of noncombative argument, offering direct pedagogical strategies anchored in three modalities of learning—conceptual-procedural, kinesthetic, and contemplative—and projects, activities, assignments, informal responses, and final papers for students. Kinesthetic exercises derived from martial arts and contemplative meditation and mindfulness practices are key to the approach, with Kroll specifically using movement as a physical analogy for tactics of arguing.


How can faculty create a strong e presence for their online classes? This volume highlights the need for creating a presence in the online environment. The authors explore the emotional, psychological, and social aspects from both the instructor and student perspective. It provides an instructional design framework and shows how a strong presence contributes to effective teaching and learning. Filled with illustrative examples and based on research and experience, the book contains methods, case scenarios, and activities for creating, maintaining, and evaluating presence throughout the cycle of an online course.


In this book, editors R. Eric Landrum and Maureen A. McCarthy identify four broad areas of concern in the ethical teaching of undergraduate psychology: pedagogy, student behavior, faculty behavior toward students, and considerations in the diverse classroom. Together with their team of experts, they provide evidence-based advice and case studies that illustrate the application of relevant ethical principles.


This book focuses on the changing dynamics of teaching. It is no longer simply about passing on knowledge to the next generation. Teachers in the twenty-first century, in all educational sectors, have to cope with an ever-changing cultural and technological environment. Teaching is now a design science. Like other design professionals – architects, engineers, programmers –
teachers have to work out creative and evidence-based ways of improving what they do. Yet teaching is not treated as a design profession.


Examining college student expectations, aspirations, academics, attitudes, values, beliefs, social life, and politics, this book paints an accurate portrait of today’s students. Timely and comprehensive it offers educators, researchers, practitioners, policymakers, and employers guidance and a much-needed grasp of the forces shaping the experiences of current undergraduates.


Before you prepare instruction, it's important to be able to clearly state what the desired outcomes of that instruction should be. In this book, you'll learn the characteristics of well-stated objectives, how to derive suitable objectives, and how to write objectives to match the instructional results you are seeking to achieve.


This book examines the difficulties of student learning and offers advice on how to overcome them through course design, assessment practice and teaching methods. It also provides innovative case material from a wide range of institutions and disciplines, including the social sciences, the humanities, the sciences and economics.


This volume increases the empirical evidence for threshold concepts across a large number of disciplinary contexts and from the higher education sectors of many countries. It develops the theoretical perspectives and provides fresh pedagogical directions, and is useful for teachers, practitioners and managers in all disciplines as well as for educational researchers.


This book brings together a broad array of current "best practices" in the design, implementation, and assessment of multicultural change initiatives on college and university campuses. Readers will find that this volume advocates for more transparent connections between change initiatives at individual, departmental, and college-wide levels by highlighting the ways in which such practices and change goals can relate to and support each other, thus addressing a noticeable absence in the current available literature.

This book is for all who are new to the field of holistic education, all who want to deepen their understanding of its challenges, and all who want to practice and promote this vital approach to teaching and learning on their campuses. The book offers a rich interplay of analysis, theory, and proposals for action from two educators and writers who have contributed to developing the field of integrative education over the past few decades.


In this book, the author redefines the way we understand ourselves in relation to one another. It is about how we think in groups—and how our collective wisdom exceeds the sum of its parts. Why can teams of people find better solutions than brilliant individuals working alone? And why are the best group decisions and predictions those that draw upon the very qualities that make each of us unique? The answers lie in diversity—not what we look like outside, but what we look like within, our distinct tools and abilities.


When we learn to present naked, we reach our audiences by communicating the essence of the message, stripping away all that is unnecessary and embracing the ideas of simplicity, clarity, honesty, integrity, and passion. If "slideware" is used, the slides never steal the show or rise above serving a strong but simple supportive role. The ideas in the presentation may or may not be radical, earth shattering, or new, but there is freshness to the approach and content that makes a lasting impression.


In this new edition, Garr gives his readers new, fresh examples to draw inspiration from, with a whole new chapter for those who present on more technical and educational topics based on techniques used by many presenters who give high-level talks at TED and other powerhouse events.


Grounded in research on neuroscience, faculty development, work productivity, positive psychology, and resilience, this faculty development guide is filled with the techniques and strategies that go beyond a discussion of work-life balance and teaching tips to offer practical tools for managing the life of the professor while maximizing his or her potential.

This practical handbook will introduce readers to social justice education, providing tools for developing “critical social justice literacy” and for taking action towards a more just society. Accessible to students from high school through graduate school, this book offers a collection of detailed and engaging explanations of key concepts in social justice education, including critical thinking, socialization, group identity, prejudice, discrimination, oppression, power, privilege, and White supremacy.