

Teaching critical thinking in the classroom

Workshop Description:

This seminar will introduce instructors to the basic concepts of critical thinking. We will complete some critical thinking exercises and then move on to discuss and share strategies to enhance critical thinking in college courses. We will explore how to assess critical thinking in our students, including setting up learning activities and questioning sequences that encourage higher level thinking. Internet resources will also be provided.

Learning Outcomes

This workshop will motivate educators to enable their students to:

- identity the essential question, the issue and the problem.
- gather relevant data and to interpret it effectively;
- develop informed solution and conclusions
- evaluate the implications and consequences of implementing these solution.

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Resources:

How to teach critical thinking skills using Blooms taxonomy. http://www.edudemic.com/blooms-taxonomy-critical-thinking/

Teaching critical thinking skills. http://academic.udayton.edu/legaled/ctskills/ctskills01.htm

Teaching critical thinking, Center for teaching and learning, Georgian College http://www.georgiancollege.ca/staff/ctl/teaching-methods/essential-skills/critical-thinking