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- Explore ways to engage world-class learners
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- Combine both online and mobile technology in learning
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- ✓ Provide play, art, nature and experiential projects for engagement
- ✓ Assess cognitive, reading and 21st Century skills with Common Core
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Engaging World-Class Learners

Yong Zhao, PhD, Presidential Chair; Associate Dean for Global Education; Weinman Professor of Technology, College of Education, University of Oregon; Author, World-Class Learners: Educating Creative and Entrepreneurial Students (2012) and Catching Up or Leading the Way (2009)

Brain Gain: Using Technology to Engage 21st Century Minds and Students

Marc R. Prensky, MBA, MAT, Futurist; Game and Learning Designer; Author, Brain Gain: Technology and the Quest for Digital Wisdom (2012), Teaching Digital Natives (2010) and Digital Game-Based Learning (2007); Co-Editor, Games and Simulation in Online Learning (2006)

Engaging the Brain: Implications of fMRI Technology

John D.E. Gabrieli, PhD, Grover Hermann Professor in Health Sciences and Technology and Cognitive Neuroscience; Director, Athinoula A. Martinos Imaging Center; Investigator, McGovern Institute for Brain Research, Massachusetts Institute of Technology; Co-Author, "When the brain is prepared to learn: Enhancing human learning using real-time fMRI" (2012, Neuroimage)

Blended Classrooms: How Memory Tests Reduce Mind Wandering and Improve Online Learning

Karl K. Szpunar, PhD, Doctoral Research Scholar, Harvard University; Co-Author with Memory Researcher Daniel Schacter, "Interpolated memory tests reduce mind wandering and improve learning of online lectures" (2013, Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences)

Combining Pedagogy, Cognitive Science and Technology for Learner-Centered Classrooms

Marsha C. Lovett, PhD, Cognitive Scientist; Professor, Psychology Department, Carnegie Mellon University; Director, Eberly Center for Teaching Excellence; Developer of innovative, educational technologies to promote student learning and metacognition; Co-Author, *How Learning Works: Seven Research-Based Principles for Smart Teaching (2010)* and "In search of the 'perfect' blend between an instructor and an online course for teaching introductory statistics" (2010, Proceedings of the Eighth International Conference on the Teaching of Statistics)

Why School?: Rethinking Teaching and Classrooms for Modern Learners

Will A. Richardson, MA, Member, National Advisory Council, George Lucas Education Foundation; Author, Why School?: How Education Must Change When Learning and Information are Everywhere (2012); Co-Author, Personal Learning Networks (2011)

Flip The Classroom: Reach Every Student in Every Class Every Day

Jonathan Bergmann, MAEd, Lead Technology Facilitator, Joseph Sears School; Pioneer in the Flipped Class Movement; Winner of the Presidential Award for Excellence for Math and Science Teaching (2002); Co-Founder of the Flipped Learning Network; Advisory Board Member of TED Education; Co-Author, *Flip Your Classroom: Reach Every Student in Every Class Every Day (2012)*

ENGAGING EXPERIENCES: USING NATURE, OUTDOORS AND ACTIVE LEARNING

Go Wild!: Promoting Play, Nature and Exercise in Our Schools

John J. Ratey, MD, Associate Clinical Professor of Psychiatry, Harvard Medical School; Reebok's Ambassador for Active Kids; Author, Go Wild (Forthcoming, 2014), Spark: The Revolutionary New Science of Exercise and the Brain (2008) and A User's Guide to the Brain (2002)

How the Brain Learns: Engaging Experiences, Technology and Collaboration

G. Christian Jernstedt, **PhD**, Professor Emeritus and Research Professor, Psychological and Brain Sciences; Director Emeritus, Center for Educational Outcomes, Dartmouth College; Adjunct Professor of Community and Family Medicine, Geisel School of Medicine at Dartmouth; Co-Author, "Developing resources to teach and assess the core competencies: A collaborative approach" (2004, Academic Medicine)

Reconnecting Students with Nature in a Virtual Age

Richard F. Louv, Founder/Chairman Emeritus, Children & Nature Network; Visiting Professor, Clemson University; Author, The Nature Principle: Reconnecting with Life in a Virtual Age (2012) and Last Child in the Woods: Saving Our Children From Nature-Deficit Disorder (2008)

Welcome to Your Child's Brain: Benefits of Active Learning, Indoors and Outdoors

Sam Wang, PhD, Associate Professor, Department of Molecular Biology and the Princeton Neuroscience Institute, Princeton University; Co-Author, Welcome to Your Child's Brain: How the Mind Grows from Conception to College (2012) and Welcome to Your Brain (2008)

This Is Your Brain on Nature: Benefits of Green Time in a World of Screen Time

Alan C. Logan, ND, Scientist; Researcher; Invited Faculty, Harvard University's School of Continuing Medical Education; Co-Author with Harvard Physician Eva M. Selhub, MD, Your Brain on Nature: The Science of Nature's Influence on Your Health, Happiness and Vitality (2012)

Nature and Place-Based Education: Test Scores and More than Test Scores

David T. Sobel, MEd, Core Faculty; Director, Center for Place-Based Education, Antioch New England Graduate School; Author, *Wild Play:* Parenting Adventures in the Great Outdoors (2011), Childhood and Nature (2008) and Place-Based Education (2005)

Evolving Kolb's Model: Using Neuroscience Findings to Rethink the Learning Experience

Jeb Schenck, PhD, Adjunct Professor, University of Wyoming; Leader of more than 20 mountaineering expeditions including Mt. Everest and Mt. McKinley; Author, *Teaching and the Adolescent Brain (2011)* and *Teaching to the Brain, Best Ideas and Best Practices (2008)*

How Art Environments Engage Students: Cultivating Real-World Learning

Ivonne Chand O'Neal, MA, Director of Research and Evaluation, The John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts; Member, American Psychological Association and American Association of Museums; Former Associate Curator, Museum of Creativity, Milken Family Foundation

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ENGAGING DEEPER LEARNING IN MATH, SCIENCE AND 21st CENTURY SKILLS

Fitting the Pieces Together:

Deeper Learning, 21st Century Skills and Learning in Academic Disciplines

Christine M. Massey, PhD, Director for Research and Education, Institute for Research in Cognitive Science, University of Pennsylvania; Member, "Deeper Learning" Study Committee, National Research Council's Report, Developing Transferable Knowledge and Skills in the 21st Century (2012)

Blending Real and Virtual Immersive Experiences for Ecosystem Science Learning

Shari J. Metcalf, PhD, Project Director, EcoMUVE (an Ecosystems Multi-User Virtual Environment science curriculum); Project Co-Director, EcoMOBILE (an Ecosystems Mobile Outdoor Blended Immersive Learning Environment for outdoor science projects), Harvard Graduate School of Education

Engaging Young Minds in Science and Mathematics (STEM)

John T. Almarode, PhD, Assistant Professor, College of Education, James Madison University; Former STEM Teacher; Co-Author, *Captivate, Activate, and Invigorate the Student Brain in Science and Math, Grades 6-12 (2013)* and "Energizing students: Maximizing student attention and engagement in the science classroom" (2008, The Science Teacher)

What Do You Think?: Engaging in Deeper Learning Inside and Outside Classroom Borders

James A. Bellanca, MA, Founder/CEO, International Renewal Institute, Inc.; Author, The Focus Factor: 8 Essential 21st Century Thinking Skills for Deeper Student Learning (2013); Co-Editor, On Becoming A Self-Directed Learner (2013); Co-Author, Classrooms Without Borders (2010)

Essential Questions: Doorways to Deeper Understanding

Jay McTighe, MA, President, Jay McTighe and Associates; Former Director, Maryland Assessment Consortium; Author, *Essential Questions:* Opening Doors to Student Understanding (2013); Co-Author, Integrating Differentiated Instruction and Understanding by Design (2006)

ASSESSING ENGAGED MINDS: COGNITION, COMMON CORE AND ASSESSMENTS

The Science of Individual Assessment

Kurt W. Fischer, PhD, Charles Bigelow Professor; Director, Mind, Brain & Education Program (MBE), Harvard Graduate School of Education; Founding President, International Mind, Brain and Education Society (IMBES); Founding Editor, *Mind, Brain and Education Journal*; Co-Author, "Mind, Brain and Education" (2012, Students at the Center: Teaching and Learning in the Era of the Common Core)

Wad-Ja-Learn? Engaging Students with Deeper Learning Assessments in the 21st Century

James A. Bellanca, MA, Founder/CEO, International Renewal Institute, Inc.; Executive Director, the Illinois Consortium for 21st Century Skills; Author, *Wad-Ja-Learn? Engaging Students Through Deeper Learning Assessments in 21st Century Classrooms (2013)*; Co-Author, School Leader's Guide to the Common Core (2013) and How to Teach Thinking Skills Within the Common Core (2012)

Common Core Vocabulary: Getting Critical Words into Long-term Memory

Marilee B. Sprenger, MA, Adjunct Professor, Aurora University; Former Teacher; Member of the American Academy of Neurology; Author, Wiring the Brain for Reading: Brain-Based Strategies for Teaching Literacy (2013) and Brain-Based Teaching in the Digital Age (2010)

Connecting Cognition to Common Core Standards

Margaret C. Glick, MEd, Instructor on Cognition and Brain Development, University of La Verne; Educational Consultant, International Center for Leadership in Education (ICLE) and Cognitive Solutions; Co-Author, *The Instructional Leader and the Brain (2011)*

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Free to Learn: How Children Educate Themselves Through Free Play and Exploration

Peter O. Gray, PhD, Research Professor, Department of Psychology, Boston College; Blogger, Psychology Today and Boston Magazine; Author, Free to Learn: Why Unleashing the Instinct to Play Will Make Our Children Happier, More Self-Reliant, and Better Students for Life (2013)

Following Your Own Path: How Self-Directed Learning Optimizes the Learning Experience

Todd M. Gureckis, PhD, Assistant Professor, Department of Psychology, New York University; Co-Author, "Is it better to select or to receive? Learning via active and passive hypothesis testing" (2013, Journal of Experimental Psychology) and "Self-directed learning: A cognitive and computational perspective" (2012, Perspectives on Psychological Science)

Children Are Born to Learn:

Motivation and Engagement from a Developmental Science Perspective

Wendy L. Ostroff, PhD, Associate Professor, Program for the Advancement of Learning, Curry College; Carnegie Scholar; Author, Understanding How Young Children Learn: Bringing the Science of Child Development to the Classroom (2012)

Neat, But How Do We Use It?: Translating the Science of Learning into Classroom Practice

David B. Daniel, PhD, Professor, James Madison University; Managing Editor, *Mind, Brain and Education Journal*; Recipient of the Robert S. Daniel Teaching Excellence Award from the American Psychological Association Division 2; Author, "Promising principles: Translating the science of learning to educational practice" (2012, Journal of Applied Research in Memory and Cognition)

Putting the Research on Learning into Practice: A Learner-Centered Approach

Terry J. Doyle, MA, Professor, Ferris State University; Author, The New Science of Learning: How to Learn in Harmony with Your Brain (2013), Learner Centered Teaching (2011) and Helping Students Learn in a Learner-Centered Environment (2008)

Unlocking Student-Directed Learning and Concept Acquisition

Judy A. Willis, MD, MEd, Board-Certified Neurologist; Adjunct Professor, University of California, Santa Barbara; Author, Learning to Love Math (2010) and How Your Child Learns Best: Brain-Friendly Strategies to Ignite Your Child's Learning and Increase School Success (2008)

Empowering Student-Centered Learning with Web and Mobile Technology

Mark Barnes, MEd, Online Instructor/Developer, Notre Dame College and Lake Erie College; Discovery Education Network Star Educator; Creator of the Results-Only Learning Environment (ROLE); Author, *Role Reversal: Achieving Uncommonly Excellent Results in the Student-Centered Classroom (2013)*

ENGAGING GLOBAL MINDS: PROMOTING WORLDWIDE COLLABORATIONS

Going Global: Connecting Classrooms and Schools to the World

William R. Kist, PhD, Associate Professor, Kent State University; Author, The Global School: Connecting Classrooms and Students Around the World (2012), The Socially Networked Classroom: Teaching in the New Media Age (2009) and New Literacies in Action (2004)

Raising Global IQ: Preparing Students for a Global Community

Carl F. Hobert, LLM, Clinical Instructor, **Boston University School of Education**; Head of the Axis of Hope Center for International Conflict Management and Prevention; Author, *Raising Global IQ: Preparing Our Students for a Shrinking Planet (2013)*

Global Understanding: Human Reflection as the Basis of Social Action

Thomas J. Cottle, PhD, Professor, Boston University School of Education; Sociologist; Psychologist; Author, Drawing Life: Narratives and the Sense of Self (2013) and Beyond Self Esteem (2003)

Blending Common Core with 21st Century Skills: Thinking, Action and Global Living

Laura M. Greenstein, EdD, Department Chair, Montville Public Schools; Adjunct Professor, University of New Haven and University of Connecticut; Author, Assessing 21st Century Skills (2012) and What Teachers Really Need to Know About Formative Assessment (2010)

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2. Bringing Common Core to Life Through Neuroscience and Understanding by Design

You will examine the intersection of the neuroscience of learning with the *Understanding by Design*[®] framework and Common Core Standards, as well as practices to develop students' understanding and ability to transfer their learning – essential requirements of college and career readiness. **Judy A. Willis, MD, MEd**, Board-Certified Neurologist, Adjunct Lecturer, Graduate School of Education, University of California, Santa Barbara; Author, *Learning to Love Math (2011)* and *Research-Based Strategies to Ignite Student Learning (2006)*; and **Jay McTighe, MA**, President, Jay McTighe & Associates; Co-Author, *From Common Core Standards to Curriculum: Five Big Ideas (2012)*

3. Captivate, Activate and Invigorate to Engage Students

Getting students engaged in learning and keeping them engaged can be a significant challenge in today's classrooms. In Part I, Dr. Almarode will link the most recent research on keeping the student brain engaged with your classrooms and schools. You will walk away with instant ideas and strategies that will have every student captivated, activated and invigorated. In Part II, Dr. Glick will help you refine and clarify the definition and understanding of engagement and the shifts that occur cognitively when engagement is sustained, and she will help you discover several qualities of engaging work. John T. Almarode, PhD, Assistant Professor, James Madison University; Co-Author, *Captivate, Activate, and Invigorate the Student Brain in Science and Math, Grades 6-12 (2013)*; and Margaret C. Glick, MEd, Instructor on Cognition and Brain Development, University of La Verne; Co-Author, *The Instructional Leader and the Brain (2011)*

4. Wiring the Brain for Reading: Critical Thinking and the Common Core

Learn how to wire the brain for reading and critical thinking to enhance comprehension. Discover how to physically prepare the brain for reading and gain strategies for teaching your students' brains thinking skills for life as well as for Common Core assessments. Reading is a very rich and complex skill, and new assessments require higher cognitive demands. Find out how to meet the demands of new ELA standards and raise student achievement. **Marilee B. Sprenger, MA**, Adjunct Professor, **Aurora University**, Member of the American Academy of Neurology; Author, *Wiring the Brain for Reading: Brain-Based Strategies for Teaching Literacy (2013)*

5. Inspire Educators and Learners with Experiential Instruction

This workshop will provide strategies to create more active, experiential learning environments. You will review a powerful teaching theory that has been successfully used to create understanding and long-lasting learning by deeply engaging the learner. Explore the various aspects of what goes into designing such lessons, programs and even management design. You will also explore a variety of active brain-friendly learning approaches and interactive activities that will enliven your lessons and engage learners emotionally, physically, intellectually and socially. **Jeb Schenck, PhD**, Adjunct Professor, University of Wyoming; Leader and veteran of more than 20 mountaineering expeditions including climbs of Mt. Everest and Mt. McKinley; Author, *Teaching and the Adolescent Brain (2011)* and *Teaching to the Brain, Best Ideas and Best Practices (2008)*; **Jessie Cruickshank, EdM**, Graduate of the Mind, Brain, and Education Program at Harvard Graduate School of Education; Program Director and Administrative Director for Solid Rock Outdoor Ministries; and **Jennifer N. Stanchfield, MS**, Instructor, Southeast Vermont Learning Collaborative; Author, *Tips & Tools: The Art of Experiential Group Facilitation (2008)*; Co-Author, *A Teachable Moment: A Facilitator's Guide to Activities for Processing, Debriefing, Reviewing and Reflection (2008)*

6. Engaging Digital Minds Using Interactive Media

Dr. Cox will address differences in the brains of today's students and will show you ways to use technology and interactive teaching methods to engage student learning and promote higher order thinking and self-regulation, while also helping students connect, reflect and express creativity. <u>Please bring your own Internet-ready device to fully engage in this hands-on, creative workshop</u>. **Suzy Cox, PhD**, Assistant Professor in Elementary Education, College of Education, Utah Valley University; Co-Author, "Building an online instructional design community" (2003, Educational Technology)

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