

9th Celebration of Teaching & Learning Symposium

Virtual Program and Schedule

*Wednesday, February 26, 2025 | University of Southern Indiana

Times shown in Central Time (CT). All sessions will be held via Zoom at

<https://usi.zoom.us/j/95349836674?pwd=GAZda5tabW999rOI0hbURQynUCLpWW.1>



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Symposium Information

Please visit the [Symposium website](#) to view the presentation abstracts. We invite all participants to help foster a welcoming, supportive, and productive space that honors all backgrounds and experiences and respects all perspectives in teaching and learning. Session formats:

- **Standard Presentations:** Consists of a 15-minute presentation and time for questions and discussion during a 20-minute presentation block.
- **Lightning Presentations:** The session includes 4 brief (5-6 minutes each) presentations sequentially and then a discussion among presenters and the audience during the remaining 25 minutes of the session.
- **Poster Presentations:** Conversations with the presenters guided by prepared posters.

9:45 - 9:55 am Welcome | Room UC 2217-2218 | [Zoom link](#)

10:00 am Concurrent Sessions 1A and 1B

10:00 - 11:00 am Session 1A: Lightning Presentations | [Zoom link](#)

Facilitators: Taylor Petty, Timothy Mattison

An Update on My Experiment in Specifications Grading

– David O'Neil, University of Southern Indiana

Using AI for Practice in the Classroom – Practice Makes Perfect

– Jennifer Ireland, University of Southern Indiana

Mind the Gap – Peds Palooza: Students Gain Confidence with Pre-Clinical Experience

– Jennifer Ireland and Pamela Miller, University of Southern Indiana

Competency-Based Classroom Strategies, Part Deux

– Pamela Miller and Theresa Marcotte, University of Southern Indiana

10:00 - 11:10 am Session 1B: Standard Presentations | [Zoom link](#)

Facilitator: Summer Wilderman

Mental Health & Student Equity: Building a Collaborative Future

– Tory Schendel-Vyvoda, Katia Hamzawsky, Julia Wolfe, and Joseph Moreau, University of Evansville

Trauma Informed Pedagogy: Improving Resiliency for Early Career “Helping” Professionals

– Brandi Watson, University of Southern Indiana

Time Well Spent: Unlocking Productivity Through Smart Self-Regulation

– Penny AP Kirk, Vincennes University

11:10 - 11:30 am Networking Break | [Zoom link](#)

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11:30 am - 12:30 pm Keynote Presentation | [Zoom link](#)

Remarks by Provost Shelly Blunt

Keynote: Making Team Projects Work: Tips to Improve Your Student Team Projects

– Dr. Timothy M. Franz, St. John Fisher University

12:30 - 1:00 pm Poster Session & Dessert | [Zoom link](#)

Adaptive Learning Assignments May Improve Learning in Anatomy and Physiology

– Jessica Snow, University of Evansville

Building a Service-Learning Mindset: Creating Online Modules for Respiratory Therapy Students

– Mary Phillips and Erin Parchman, University of Southern Indiana

Laying the Foundation for Social Responsibility Awareness in Novice Nursing Students

– Teresa Krassa, University of Illinois at Chicago College of Nursing

Interprofessional Education between Family Nurse Practitioners, Doctor of Physical Therapy, and Occupational Therapy Students

– Amanda Orr, Hannah LaMar, and Kristi Hape, University of Evansville and University of Southern Indiana

Using Simulation to Teach Change Management Principles

– Jenny Skelton and Jack Smothers, University of Southern Indiana

1:05 - 2:15 pm Concurrent Sessions 2A and 2B**Session 2A: Standard Presentations** | [Zoom link](#) | Facilitator: Jara Dillingham

The Power of Learning Through Action

– Jordan Thomason, University of Southern Indiana

What We Owe Each Other: Teaching the Good Place as a Honors and Service Learning Course

– Monica O'Neil, University of Southern Indiana

Empathy in Doctor of Physical Therapy Students: A Longitudinal Study

– Kate Schwartzkopf and Jordana Lockwich, University of Evansville and Duquesne University

Session 2B: Standard Presentations | [Zoom link](#) | Facilitator: Peter Whiting

Modifying Open Educational Resources and Creating Lab Kits for Introductory Geology Courses:

Lessons Learned and Best Practices

– Carrie Wright, University of Southern Indiana

Level up Your Course Design: Lessons from Video Games

– Spence Farmer, University of Southern Indiana

Design Smarter, Not Harder: Revolutionizing Course Creation with AI

– JD Weagley, Purdue University

Presentation abstracts are available on the [Symposium website](#) and searchable on USI's [Scholarly Open Access Repository \(SOAR\)](#).

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