

Do you run seminars or small group teaching sessions?

Would you like to work with others to produce some interesting exercises for your tutorial?

Do you want to improve your skills as a facilitator?

WE CAN HELP

CEEBL POSTGRADUATE WORKSHOP:

“Designing Tutorial Exercises: Triggers”

**Thursday 10th September 2009
12.15 – 4pm**

Who are we?

We are the Centre for Excellence in Enquiry Based Learning (CEEBL), based in C24 in the Sackville Building at the University of Manchester: www.manchester.ac.uk/ceeb/

The workshop

Even after you have begun teaching (or if you are about to take a tutorial group for the first time), working with a group of students can be a daunting experience. Enquiry-Based Learning (EBL) is often used in tutorials and other small groups to increase student enthusiasm and participation, and has been shown to lead to better learning outcomes. The tutors’ role in EBL is as a facilitator, setting goals and providing triggers to enable students to complete a given task.

Who should attend?

The workshop is specially targeted to postgraduates and other GTAs who run tutorials/small group exercises and who want to improve their skills as facilitators. No previous experience of EBL is needed – just a willingness to do some preparation from our website and participate in the learning activities on the day.

What you can expect

- This workshop will provide practical training on how to design and deliver EBL-style exercises activities, in particular “triggers”, which serve as prompts and encouragements to get students more involved in the learning process.
- It will demonstrate the effectiveness of EBL as a teaching method and encourage you to use it effectively in your own teaching.
- It is structured around the EBL process itself – and includes a focus on small group work, facilitation, and independent, as well as collaborative learning.
- An offer of a certificate of completion if you attend the three face-to-face sessions (this session, our general workshop, and a third on effective communication in small groups), as well as the assessed component of the online workshop.

The workshop complements our booklet – ‘*A Guide to the Facilitation of Enquiry-Based Learning for Graduates*’ – written by postgraduates, for postgraduates. The booklet is available from www.manchester.ac.uk/ceeb/resources).

The session will be run by Frank Manista, the CEEBL Learning Development Officer.

NB: The new 6 week online GTA training workshop is *not* a substitute for other required Faculty- or School-based training, such as the FLS tutor and demonstrator training course, which is accompanied by a contract. If you have any questions regarding those programmes, please consult with the appropriate advisor or member of staff.

How to register

Email ceebl@manchester.ac.uk stating your name, school and faculty; what classes you currently teach (if any) and which date you wish to attend. Please make sure the subject of the email is 'postgraduate facilitation'. Alternatively, go to the CEEBL website and register under the link: <http://www.campus.manchester.ac.uk/ceebl/events/>

If you have any queries regarding the content of the workshop, contact Frank Manista (Frank.Manista@manchester.ac.uk). For registration matters, contact Connie Funke-Dooley (ceebl@manchester.ac.uk)