

# Member Newsletter

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## LinkedIn's Use Agreement

Hello again & welcome to our new members! Our monthly newsletter goal is to share news of our activities & keep it short while useful. We know your time is valuable & we appreciate you sharing it with us.

LinkedIn Feature of the Month: Have you looked at your profile lately? At the very bottom of the LI page you'll see, in very fine print, a link to "user agreement". As one of the largest groups on LI, it's our responsibility to take this agreement seriously. Adhering to the user agreement & group rules helps us maintain a collegial atmosphere & a professional association, free of unwanted spam.

## Message from the Director

There are a lot of resources on teaching & learning spread across the globe, but sometimes it can be difficult and time-consuming not only finding those resources but knowing which teaching & learning resources may be most useful to your professional lives.

Starting this month we highlight several higher education organizations, conferences, journals, & teaching & learning centers. Our goal is to help our members become better educators. If you know of other resources that our members might find useful, please feel free to send me the Web link.

Finally, we would like to involve more of your colleagues in our discussions. Please invite your colleagues to join us. You may invite them by using the Invite link at the top of our group homepage or by sending them the following link <http://bit.ly/bgnlig>

Kind regards,

Patrick Blessinger

## Research Collaborations

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*Research collaborations can be found in the Scholarship subgroup.*

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Who knows about music and the correlation with the brain's pre-frontal cortex? Hint: participate in the scholarship subgroup to find out or join the subgroup to collaborate on research papers with other educators. Current research is on metacognition, sustainability, & control groups, to name a few. Select Subgroups under the More tab on the group homepage and then select the Scholarship Subgroup.

## Events and New Items

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*Submit Your Own Article: Consider what you could add to our growing base of articles by submitting your own article. Please see <http://hetl.org/call-for-articles/> for submission requirements and themes.*

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Teach-Tool-Learn: Go to <http://HETL.org> and read Dr. Piet Kommer's article on "Social Media as a Tribute to Lev Vygotsky". Dr. Kommer addresses the question: What can social media bring to education?

It's Time for a Second Life: Go to <http://HETL.org> & read Dr. Susan Oak's article on "Real Learning in a Virtual World" where she describes integrating Second Life into her business communication course.

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Higher Ed Organizations: Professional and Organizational Development (POD) Network in Higher Education at <http://www.podnetwork.org/> & the Society for Teaching and Learning in Higher Education (STLHE) at <http://bit.ly/IQwIqW>.

Higher Ed Conferences: 2011 POD conference at <http://bit.ly/ig9Wot> & the Higher Education Research & Development Society of Australia (HERDSA) conference at <http://bit.ly/ITxV11>

Higher Ed Journals: Canadian Journal for the Scholarship of Teaching & Learning at <http://bit.ly/kFKFIL> & the Higher Education Research & Development Journal at <http://bit.ly/kFLyLK>

Teaching and Learning Centers: MIT Teaching & Learning Laboratory at <http://web.mit.edu/tll/> & the Aarhus University School of Education at <http://www.dpu.dk/en/>

Do you have questions or perhaps an idea for us? For general questions/issues about discussion posts, contact Cyndy Woods-Wilson or David Bugay. For research collaboration queries or for queries about article submissions to The HETL Review (our e-journal), contact Patrick Blessinger.