

## Center for Teaching Excellence

University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

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### Events scheduled for the second half of February:

Please take a look at the workshops and events that are coming up this month. Workshops are free, but require registration. All these workshops count toward the CTE certificate program. If you are working on a certificate and want CTE to do your observation, please contact Sandy Finley [sjfinley@illinois.edu](mailto:sjfinley@illinois.edu) soon so she can schedule your observation.

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### Workshops through the end of February:

#### Wednesday, February 15, 2012

11:00 am - 12:00 pm Mike Evans and Ashley Hetrick

[Making Content Memorable and Transferrable using Narratives](#)

#### Friday, February 17, 2012

12:00 pm - 1:00 pm Chris Migotsky

[Interpreting ICES Student Ratings](#)

#### Tuesday, February 21, 2012

4:00 pm - 5:00 pm Sandy Finley

[Using Informal Early Feedback \(IEF\)](#)

#### Wednesday, February 22, 2012

3:30 pm - 5:00 pm Dr. Susan Ambrose

[Graduate student workshop with Susan Ambrose, Faculty Retreat plenary speaker](#)

#### Thursday, February 23, 2012

8:00 am - 1:30 pm Dr. Susan Ambrose

[Annual Faculty Retreat: Research-Based Principles for Smart Teaching and Enhanced Learning](#)

#### Monday, February 27, 2012

3:00 pm - 4:30 pm Diana Steele

[Test Construction: Got Questions?](#)

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### Teaching Tips

**Research-Based Principles for Teaching and Learning.** Dr. Susan Ambrose, Director of the Eberly Center for Teaching Excellence at Carnegie Mellon, is the co-author of "How Learning Works: 7 Research-Based Principles for Smart Teaching." She will be

on our campus to present a workshop for graduate students on Feb. 22nd and the plenary talk at the Faculty Retreat on Feb. 23rd. (Registration is required – see above.) To learn more about these teaching and learning principles, [click here](#).

**The Importance of Early Feedback about Your Teaching.** Now is the time of the semester to collect informal early feedback (IEF) about your teaching and your students' learning. To learn more about this important strategy and see sample forms, [click here](#). CTE will be offering an IEF workshop on Feb. 21st. (Click on workshop link above to register.)