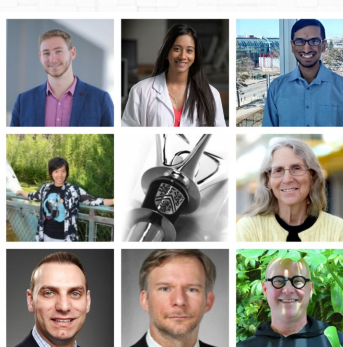# CTE
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newsletter

April 2019
Sharing news, views, and upcoming events on teaching and learning at Waterloo

Teaching Awards

Congratulations to the recipients of the University of Waterloo's 2019 teaching awards!
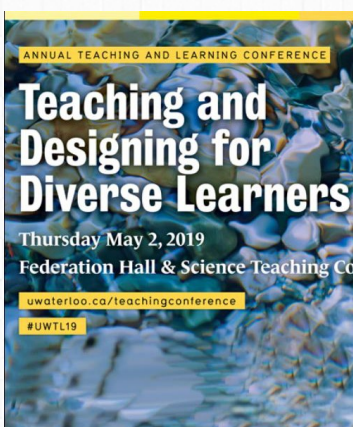
DISTINGUISHED TEACHER AWARD

Steve Balaban, *School of Accounting and Finance*
Robin Cohen, *David R. Cheriton School of Computer Science*
Paul Fieguth, *Systems Design Engineering*
Andrew Houston, *Communication Arts*

AMIT AND MEENA CHAKMA AWARD FOR EXCEPTIONAL TEACHING BY A STUDENT

Marcus Abramovitch, *Chemistry*
Apratim Chakraborty, *Mechanical/Mechatronics Engineering*
Heidi Fernandes, *School of Pharmacy*
Caelan Wang, *Combinatorics and Optimization*

Teaching & Learning Conference

Registration is open for the University of Waterloo's Teaching and Learning Conference! Join us **May 2, 2019** for over 30 concurrent sessions devoted to the theme of *teaching and designing for diverse learners*. The deadline to register is **April 11, 2019**. Click here to view the program.

Instructional Skills Workshop

The Instructional Skills Workshop (ISW) is an intensive, collaborative learning model that uses video-recorded micro-teaching and peer feedback sessions to support participants' teaching reflection and growth. The ISW encourages examination of teaching practices with feedback focused on the learning process rather than on the specific content of the lesson. At the same time, participants are able to work on discipline-specific teaching. Each participant will receive a widely-recognized certificate of achievement. The ISW requires 24 contact hours, over three or four days. Next session: **May 9, 10, 13**.

Waterloo High Impact Practices Group (WHIP)

The next WHIP meeting will be on **Tuesday, May 7, 2019** (12:00-1:30) in MC 2036. The topic will be Teaching Squares. A light lunch will be provided. Please register so we can plan accordingly.

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For new faculty

These CTE workshops are open to all faculty but will be of special interest to those who are tenure-track, limited term and adjunct:

- Teaching Dossiers and Philosophy Statements - **May 16, 201**
- New Faculty Teaching Days - **August 7-9, 2019**
  SAVE THE DATE

Contact Monica Vesely for more information. A list of our spring workshops is available on our website.

Workshops: PebblePad

PebblePad is an intuitive and engaging platform capable of transforming teaching learning and assessment. Register for an introductory workshop:

Introduction to PebblePad Part 1. If you participated in part 1 during Educational Technologies Week (March 18-22), please register for Part 2.

Introduction to PebblePad Part 2. You must have taken Introduction to PebblePad Part 1.

Teaching Squares

Teaching Squares provides a framework for reciprocal classroom visits and a debrief discussion that sets the stage for you to revitalize your own teaching. **If you will be teaching in spring of 2019** and you are interested in being a part of a teaching squares group, please register for the spring 2019 Teaching Squares program by **Wednesday, April 24, 2019**. If you are **not teaching this spring term**, or this term does not work for you, but you are interested in being a part of a teaching squares group, please contact Monica Vesely directly to be added to an email list of interested participants (mvesely@uwaterloo.ca).

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