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Welcome to the Graduate School of eLearning (GSeL). The new semester (1/2016) for all programs will start on August 8. If you need any help in advising or in selecting your courses for this new semester, please contact the Program Directors immediately. Also note that students who have met all requirements will be eligible to graduate at the end of this semester. Details of graduation ceremonies will be announced in coming months.
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What Makes Teams Tick?

Zara Zhang
Many of the most pressing issues of our time-climate change, economic inequality, human rights-require interdisciplinary solutions. Yet facilitating collaboration among individuals from disparate fields can often be challenging. A recent study on what contributes to successful interdisciplinary work has found that the "emotional aspect" of such collaborations is at least as important as their intellectual aspect.

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7 Ways To Remain Focused When Studying Online

Mellissa Spears
You need to be focused while studying online. Concentration is very important when you are taking online courses. There are several ways that can help you to concentrate or focus on your study which you should know before opting for an online learning course. Watch this slide show to learn more.

What Are The 7 Ways That Will Keep You Focused:
- Take Breakfast
- Avoid Distractions
- Be Comfortable
- Take Breaks
- Have a Plan
- Shut Down other Apps and Websites
- Become Social

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GSeL: New Academic Calendar for 2016-2017

Academic Calendar

First Semester (1/2016): August, 2016 – December, 2016*
Second Semester (2/2016): January, 2017 – May, 2017
Summer Session (3/2017): June, 2017 – August, 2017

*This calendar is subject to change without notice. For further details contact your Program Director

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Call for Papers

Everybody's Talking About Plagiarism. What Is It, Exactly?

Fernanda Zamudio-Suarez
Plagiarism has long been one of the cardinal sins of academe. But on Tuesday it was on the lips of people nationwide, thanks to a seemingly unlikely source: the Republican National Convention.
The presumptive Republican presidential nominee Donald J. Trump's wife, Melania Trump, gave a speech that appeared to plagiarize parts of the speech Michelle Obama delivered when her husband was first nominated, at the 2008 Democratic National Convention, in Denver. Academics, some of whom deal with plagiarism on a regular basis, were quick to condemn Ms. Trump's remarks on social media as a clear example of plagiarism. But exactly what constitutes plagiarism might be less clear to a general audience. Why do people plagiarize, and what are the consequences? Let's evaluate:

What's plagiarism? And why do people do it?
Scholars tend to disagree on what plagiarism is and how to distinguish it from paraphrasing. Many scholars say plagiarism is defined as five or more words used directly from another source without attribution.

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On Confidence

Melanie Nelson
Most of us long to feel more confident in our work. We see successful people and think that if only we had their confidence, we could achieve great things, too
It has become common to talk about impostor syndrome (which is really just an extreme form self-doubt) as something holding people back, particularly people from underrepresented groups.

Yet we all know people who are overconfident, whose self-assuredness has crossed the threshold into arrogance. We try to avoid working with those people, and most of us cheer, at least a little, when they get their comeuppance.

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THOUGHT OF THE MONTH

In any free society, the conflict between social conformity and individual liberty is permanent, unresolvable, and necessary.

Kathleen Norris
Novelist and Columnist
(27 Jul 1880-1966)

How To Fool AI Into Seeing Something That Isn't There

Cade Metz
OUR MACHINES ARE littered with security holes, because programmers are human. Humans make mistakes. In building the software that drives these computing systems, they allow code to run in the wrong place. They let the wrong data into the right place. They let in too much data. All this opens doors through which hackers can attack, and they do.
But even when artificial intelligence supplants those human programmers, risks remain. AI makes mistakes, too.

As described in a new paper from researchers at Google and OpenAI, the artificial intelligence startup recently bootstrapped by Tesla founder Elon Musk, these risks are apparent in the new breed of AI that is rapidly reinventing our computing systems, and they could be particularly problematic as AI moves into security cameras, sensors, and other devices spread across the physical world. "This is really something that everyone should be thinking about," says OpenAI researcher and ex-Googler Ian Goodfellow, who wrote the paper alongside current Google researchers Alexey Kurakin and Samy Bengio.

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From The Editor

Welcome to August-2016 edition of eLearning@AU. In this issue you will finds a collection of interesting articles about eLearning pedagogies, new technologies and trends. Cade Metz sheds interesting light on how we can fool Artificial Intelligence (AI) to see something that is not there. Fernanda Z. Suarez has an interesting take on plagiarism in academia. Mellissa Spears shows 7 ways on how student can remain focused when studying online. Melanie Nelson in her interesting article "On Confidence" provides an insight into how to build it to succeed in our career. Zara Zhang shares important strategies on how to build successful teams in the work place.
All other regular items such Call for Papers and other tidbits are also updated. If you have any comments or suggestions, please send to-

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