



MSU C4I Weekly Newsletter

December 07, 2020

C4I News & Events

We're continuing to program virtual events and opportunities here at MSU C4I through Spring 2021. If you are interested in giving a virtual webinar or presentation, please email Dr. Stephanie E. Vasko (C4I Managing Director) at vaskoste@msu.edu.

APPLICATION DEADLINE TODAY Announcing 2021 C4I Transdisciplinary Graduate Fellows Program

Request for Applications

The TGFP provides teams of graduate students from different disciplines the opportunity to work with a community partner on a consequential problem while receiving training in transdisciplinary team research practice from the MSU Center for Interdisciplinarity. By creating a community of practice involving university and community partners, the TGFP aims to train future transdisciplinary research leaders.

We are seeking MSU graduate students with a strong interest in interdisciplinary and transdisciplinary research and a desire to collaborate with community partners to make a positive difference for the mid-Michigan area. Successful applicants will have experience working across disciplines and will be able to demonstrate an aptitude for teamwork.

Description of TGFP

The TGFP is a key part of the mission of the MSU Center for Interdisciplinarity (C4I). C4I is a research center that works to advance interdisciplinary research and education at MSU while preparing the next generation of citizen leaders to address the most challenging questions of our time. The TGFP supports the educational mission of C4I by providing graduate students at MSU with cross-disciplinary training opportunities.

The TGFP will provide teams of graduate students the opportunity to work with a community partner on a consequential problem while receiving training in transdisciplinary team research practice. By creating a community of practice involving university and community partners, the TGFP aims to train future transdisciplinary research leaders. The 2021 TGFP program will run virtually.

As participants in the TGFP, fellows will receive the following:

- * A \$5,000 fellowship paid out in two installments – one at the beginning of the spring and one at the end of the summer of the fellowship period, January to August 2021
- * Professional development in interdisciplinary and transdisciplinary research, community engagement, and team science
- * Networking with peers, leaders in interdisciplinary and transdisciplinary practice, and community partners
- * Support in producing outcomes that will have value for academic researchers and for the community partner

Fellows in the TGFP are expected to:

- * Participate in the virtual TGFP intensive short course during Jan 4-7, 2021
- * Attend and participate in twice monthly, seminar-style virtual meetings that provide an opportunity for troubleshooting and for professional development
- * Collaboratively develop final projects with one's teammates and community partner
- * Participate in a final virtual TGFP Symposium in mid- to late-August 2021 at which the final projects will be presented to the MSU & partner communities

Deadline for all applications is December 7, 2020. Applicants will be notified by December 9, 2020 if they have moved on to the interview round, with interviews taking place between December 10 and December 15, 2020. Final notifications will be made on December 18, 2020, with acceptances due by December 23, 2020.

The detailed application description can be found here:

<https://c4i.msu.edu/wp-content/uploads/sites/14/2020/11/TGFP-2021-Call-for-Applications.pdf>

If you have any questions about TGFP or C4I, please contact Michael O'Rourke at orourke51@msu.edu or 517-432-0751.

THIS WEDNESDAY, 12/9, FROM 1-2PM EST "Artist Collabor-Eats" Brown Bag Lunch Meeting with Brad Willcuts and Daniel Trego

At this month's "Artist Collabor-Eats" Brown Bag Lunch Meeting, we'll hear from Brad Willcuts and Daniel Trego who will present about Innovations in teaching the arts online. We'll then open things up to a discussion session!

Wednesday, 12/9/2020, 1-2PM EST

Zoom Link: <https://msu.zoom.us/j/91035893319>

Zoom Password: creative

Presenter Bios:

Brad Willcuts is a professional director, choreographer, movement/fight director whose works has been seen on Broadway in *Amazing Grace*, at the Metropolitan Opera in *Porgy and Bess*, internationally in Prague, Czechia in *Legende Holmes*, regionally at the Tony Award winning Theater's Arena Stage and The Shakespeare Theatre Company, *Mother Courage and Her Children* (starring Kathleen Turner) and *Romeo and Juliet*. His work has also been featured at Virginia Rep, Northern Stage, SLO Repertory, Big Fork Summer Theatre, on National Tours and in London. Brad is current Assistant Professor of Musical Theatre and Dance at Michigan State University.

Daniel Trego is an Educational Media Design Specialist at Michigan State University. His areas of expertise are in video and audio production and web design. His background in Applied Linguistics and work in curriculum design and Spanish instruction continue to inform his work in Educational Technology. He works with faculty to design effective media for teaching and learning and is passionate about storytelling and helping others create and cultivate their digital presence. Currently, he is working with the iOS design lab teaching and mentoring students at the intersection of design thinking, app development and programing.

Interested in connecting with artists on and off campus? This fall, the College of Arts and Letters Dean's Arts Advisory Council will host a free series of once-monthly "Artist Collabor-Eats" brown bag lunch meetings via Zoom to help form a community of practice among artists and creatives on and off campus. These informal discussions will bring together interested arts practitioners to discuss topics each month such as the work and/or research of community artists/creatives and supporting diversity in arts curriculum. All events open to the public and are one hour long.

Captioned video of the presentation portions of the talks will be uploaded to the MSU Center for Interdisciplinarity YouTube channel.

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Non-MSU News & Events

12th Annual International Science of Team Science Conference Abstract Submission NOW OPEN

The SciTS2021 Conference Planning Committee is pleased to announce that next year's Science of Team Science conference will be presented 100% online. We ask you to save the extended dates June 7-11, 2021 to join us for an online conference rich in discussion and engagement infused with the principles of team science. While we were looking forward to welcoming you to the greater Washington, D.C. metro area, we understand that so many are experiencing uncertainty and stress in their personal and professional lives. We want to prioritize your safety and wellbeing by offering an online event that will provide the flexibility and accessibility needed during the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic.

The 12th Annual International Science of Team Science Conference hosted by Virginia Tech aims to advance our understanding of collaborative initiatives that address multidimensional complex societal problems. The theme of the SciTS 2021 is Science of Team Science and the Human Condition. As a point of convergence between science and practice, the conference will provide a platform to investigate contributions that team science research can make to addressing urgent contemporary challenges. This year's conference will highlight the interface of the science of team science with challenges such as:

- * responding to megadisasters (e.g., the COVID pandemic, hurricanes, and fires),
- * curtailing systemic racism and the need to create and implement anti-racist policies and practices, including technologies, and
- * grappling with challenges in large growing metropolitan regions, such as equitable economic growth, affordable housing, education, healthcare, food scarcity, infrastructure systems (including IT systems), and the impacts of climate change.

Our call for abstracts is now open! We invite team science academics, leaders and members of cross-disciplinary teams, institutional leaders and administrators, and funding agencies to collaboratively rethink how science of team science research and practice may serve as a foundation for positive change and justice. The following options are available:

1. Individual Pre-recorded Splash Talks
2. NEW! Interactive and Participatory Sessions
3. Collaborative Panel
4. SIG Panel
5. Workshop
6. NEW! Early Career Colloquium
7. NEW! Graduate Student Colloquium

To view the full announcement and to submit your abstract for review, please follow this link: inscits.org/cfa2021. Please direct all conference-related questions to Briana Blanchard bnblanch@vt.edu.

We look forward to seeing you online in June 2021!

Sincerely,

Shalini Misra and Anne Khademian, SciTS2021 Conference Co-Chairs (On behalf of the SciTS2021 Conference Planning Committee)



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