



MSU C4I Weekly Newsletter

August 30, 2021

C4I News & Events

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

2021 University Interdisciplinary Colloquium w/ Dr. April Baker-Bell

"We Need a Teacher-Researcher-Activist": An Interdisciplinary Approach to Antiracist Medical Education"

Dr. April Baker-Bell
English, African American and African Studies

9-17-2021
12PM-1PM EDT via Zoom

Zoom Link: <https://msu.zoom.us/j/96411904159>
Passcode: msuc4i

In this presentation, Dr. Baker-Bell will discuss her current interdisciplinary research project working with a team of medical doctors to: (1) examine how anti-Black racism is perpetuated in medical school curricula, and (2) develop, implement, and study the effectiveness of an antiracist medical curriculum intervention.



SAVE THE DATES: 2021 University Interdisciplinary Colloquium

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The University Interdisciplinary Colloquium celebrates excellence in interdisciplinary research that involves humanists or artists as partners. Presentations will be delivered by accomplished interdisciplinary scholars who are engaged in work that integrates a wide variety of perspectives, including the full range of perspectives within the university as well as those from outside the university.



- 09/17/2021 - April Baker-Bell (English)
- 10/01/2021 - Sharlissa Moore (James Madison College)
- 10/15/2021 - Laura Dilley (Communicative Sciences & Disorders)
- 10/29/2021 - Tacuma Peters (James Madison College, Philosophy)
- 11/05/2021 - Laura Yares (Religious Studies) & Betsy Sneller (Linguistics, Languages, and Cultures)
- 11/19/2022 - Stephen Di Benedetto (Theatre)

Announcing the C4I Affiliate Faculty Program!

The MSU Center for Interdisciplinarity (C4I) is committed to creating an inclusive community for interdisciplinarians at MSU. Traditionally, we have done this through a variety of programmatic offerings, but in 2021, C4I will be adding to our offerings by establishing an Affiliate Faculty program. It is our hope that this program provides a place for interdisciplinarians on campus to network, find peer mentors, share resources, and develop collaborations.

Who is Eligible?

C4I's new Affiliate Faculty program will include members of campus who engage in interdisciplinary research, teaching, outreach, and administration and who are interested in building a community of interdisciplinarians at MSU. Affiliate Faculty may fall under a range of employment categories, including tenure-track faculty, non-tenure track faculty, academic specialists, postdocs, and staff.

How to Apply

An application to the C4I Affiliate Faculty Program includes a letter of interest in joining the Affiliate Faculty (no more than 1 page) and a current CV. The deadline to apply is *October 1, 2021*. Please send all materials as one pdf to c4i@msu.edu. For the inaugural round of applications, C4I leadership will review applications and welcome new Affiliate Faculty into the community by *October 15, 2021*.

Expectations and Benefits

Affiliate Faculty are expected to attend C4I activities, such as the University Interdisciplinary Colloquium, Transdisciplinary Graduate Fellowship Program Symposium, Interdisciplinary Write-Ins, and other workshops and events. Affiliate Faculty are expected to attend a once-a-semester mixer (to be held virtually 2021-2022). This year, you must also be an Affiliate Faculty member to be eligible for the new C4I Seed Grant Program (coming in October 2021). Affiliate Faculty are also welcome to highlight their achievements or advertise events and classes through the C4I newsletter and social media channels.

We Need YOUR Help!: MSU C4I Website Survey

We here at MSU C4I are working on updating our website. If you have a few minutes to spare, please take our survey which can be found [here](#).

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Survey Request from The Institute for Cyber-Enabled Research

The Institute for Cyber-Enabled Research is conducting a survey to inform our understanding of the MSU community's future research computing needs, which will inform strategic decisions regarding investments in this area. This survey can be found at this [link](#), and all community members who complete it will receive a complimentary gift as a token of our appreciation. The survey closes on September 24th.

We would appreciate feedback from both current users of research computing services as well as community members who are considering using more computation in their research in the future. We are particularly interested in feedback from community members coming from subject areas that have not traditionally been heavy users of research computing.

Light It Up!: An Interdisciplinary Lecture and Embroidery Workshop

Coming September 26 from 1-4PM, this interdisciplinary lecture and workshop will highlight the ways in which contemporary artists meld old and new technologies. We'll begin with a guided tour of the *AAHD Faculty Triennial* exhibition, stopping to discuss pieces that blur the line between science and art. Afterwards, participants will try their hand at creating their own tech-infused embroidery pieces using LED lights. Prerequisites include the ability to hand sew basic embroidery stitches. This electrifying experience is led by Dr. Stephanie E. Vasko, an artist, design historian, and managing director of the MSU Center for Interdisciplinarity. The *2021 MSU Department of Art, Art History, and Design Faculty Triennial* is on view Aug. 7 – Dec. 19 at the MSU Broad Art Museum.

Registration for this event is required. Cost of registration (\$35) covers all materials and instruction. The registration deadline is Sept. 20, 2021. Register [here](#).

Held at the Art Lab, located directly across the street from the museum at 565 E Grand River Ave., East Lansing, MI 48823.



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