



## Adjunct Faculty Teaching & Learning Tips

*Spring 2014 Week 5 Newsletter*



### Active Focus



As your course continues, can you engage students with **Active Learning strategies**?

#### [Classroom Activities for Active Learning](#)

suggests that active learning techniques can

- **Contribute to a student's likelihood of completing a course,**
- **Encourage the mastery of critical thinking and problem solving skills.**

Which classroom activity will you consider?

#### **Share with Students!**

Can you think like a genius? Using a creative approach to problem solving can help you to think productively. [Review the nine approaches to problem solving.](#) Or, watch this TED video

### Adjunct Corner



#### **Adjunct In-Service**

The 2014 College-Wide In-Service event was held on Monday, January 6<sup>th</sup> at the Dale Mabry Campus. This year's event was centered on the Active Learning Theme. This event includes Information Kiosks on key college services, a Welcome Session, Professional Development Sessions, and ends with Dean and Program Manager meetings. Revisit event highlights with the

[Active Learning Overview](#)

[Exceptional Adjunct Faculty Spotlight](#)

Bryan Shuler

**What are your professional development needs?**

where Raphael DiLuzio details the [seven steps of creative thinking](#).

**Please take Adjunct Feedback survey** at <https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/adjunctfeedbacksurvey>. The Survey will be open until February 26<sup>th</sup>.

Use the [Adjunct Faculty Checklist](#) to plan your entire semester!

### MyHCC Corner

#### Communicating with MyHCC

MyHCC features a range of communication tools you can use to engage your students. Use email or messages for private communication, or announcements for class feedback.

[Sending Email](#)

[Sending Messages](#)

[How to Create Announcements](#)

#### Blackboard OnDemand Learning Center –

[Using Web 2.0 tools](#)

#### Blackboard Innovative Teaching Series –

[Blackboard and the Online Collaborative Experience](#) YouTube Webinar



### Technology In Focus

#### Microsoft Outlook 2013

HCC provides all faculty with an Outlook email account. Review the [HCC Email Usage Policy](#). You should check this account frequently for institutional and departmental communication, and use this account for all student communication. A few basic tasks you may want to consider include creating a signature, calendar appointments, scheduling meetings, or creating a contact list.

[Basic Tasks in Outlook 2013](#)

[Outlook 2013 Quick Start Guide](#)

Or, [Explore the new features of Outlook 2013 via a video!](#)



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