



Growing and Adapting in an Evolving World

CELT Workshops for Fall 2026

Welcome Back! This year's CELT theme is **Growing and Adapting in an Evolving World**. As faculty we need to constantly adapt as students, pedagogical approaches, and technology changes. Join us as we explore new strategies to support learning and teaching at Middlesex College. All CELT events are open to all full-time and adjunct faculty at Middlesex College. For more information, please look at the [CELT Webpage](#). Join our program of workshops throughout the Fall 2026 semester for the sharing of best practices to help all of our students learn. *Please make note of the room number for each event – we are not in our usual rooms.*

Please **register** for all CELT Fall events by clicking the following link:

- [CELT Fall 2026 Workshops](#)

September Events:

Thursday, September 10 at 2 PM: CELT Welcome Back Celebration in ACE Center (JLC 230)
Join your CELT Colleagues in the **ACE Center** for conversation, community, and refreshments to start off the Fall 2026 semester.

Tuesday, September 29 at 2 PM: CELT Tuesday: (CB 204) All the World's a Stage: Using Pedagogical "Props" to Foster Student Engagement Jessica D'Onofrio

Interested in using tangible materials and physical spaces to create more engaging and immersive learning experiences? In this workshop, we will explore how the objects we bring into the classroom and the spaces we bring students into can creatively foster student participation. Join your colleagues to discuss "props" that could make up a pedagogical bag of tricks and how to reimagine campus spaces beyond the four walls of the classroom as pedagogical resources. Participants are encouraged to bring their experiences and ideas to share with the group.

October Events:

Thursday, October 8 at 2 PM: Tech Thursday: Community of Practice: Grading (CB 204)

Do you ever wonder how other faculty handle grades? How many points should assignments be worth? How do you balance low-stakes and high-stakes assignments? Have you tried any alternative grading methods in your classes? What about Canvas Gradebook? A community of practice is a group of educators who come together to share ideas and learn from one another to improve their teaching practice. Join us as we share ideas on grading and learn new strategies to use in our classes.

Tuesday, October 27 at 2 PM: CELT Tuesday: Expanding our Practice: Integrating Cultural Responsive Pedagogy (CB 204) Multiple faculty members

This past spring, eight faculty members participated in a CELT Learning Community on “Integrating Culturally Responsive Pedagogy.” The faculty participants met throughout the semester for engaging discussions and worked on projects to implement in their fall classes. Join us as we hear about their projects in action, see their poster presentations, and learn how they are integrating new pedagogical approaches into their classes.

November Events:

Thursday, November 12 at 2 PM: Tech Thursday: Community of Practice: New Ideas for AI (CB 222)

Are you AI adverse? Are you trying new ways of using AI for assignments? Are you on the fence about whether you want to incorporate Artificial Intelligence into your teaching practice? This month, we will continue our community of practice and discuss AI! A community of practice is a group of educators who come together to share ideas and learn from one another to improve their teaching practice. Join us as we share ideas on Artificial Intelligence and discover new strategies to use in our classes.

Tuesday, November 24 at 2 PM: CELT Tuesday: Meeting Students Where They Should Be Nicole Gonzalez and Giuseppe Rotolo (CB 204)

Join us in a shared dialogue about how to get students to want to learn for the sake of learning (not simply to secure a grade) and how to get students to strive beyond requirements to truly build their best potential — even if that means struggling. Drawing on the works on Viktor Frankl, the founder of Logotherapy, and Aaron Dinin of Duke University's famed "Learning to Fail" course, we will explore the philosophy of "If it doesn't challenge you, it doesn't change you" and discover ways to help our students see the value of the hard-earned B over the easy A.

**Save the date for the
Spring 2027 CELT Workshops**
beginning on January 20th and 21st and
continuing throughout the
Spring 2027 semester!