



November 2015



## [Fall Workshop 2015] Summary Feedback

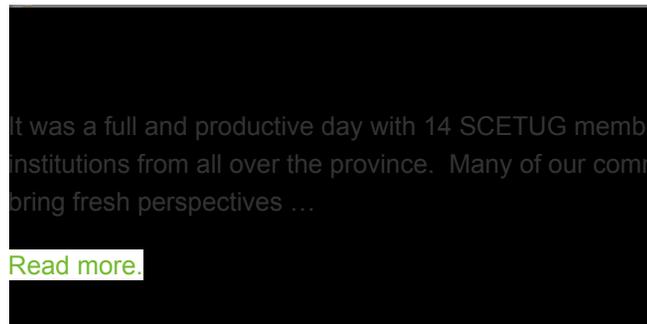
This year we tried a riff on our ETUG Fall workshop program. We offered a two part program of 2 plenaries on open: The Agora Project and #textbookbrokeUBC and following that, an unconference. We wanted to

highlight these 2 exciting initiatives and having received very positive response last year from our first unconference, we wanted to try this new (to ...

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## SCETUG Planning Day 2015

This year the Stewardship Committee for ETUG (SCETUG) gathered at BCIT Downtown Vancouver for our



annual planning meeting just ahead of the Fall 2015 Workshop.

It was a full and productive day with 14 SCETUG members in attendance representing 13 institutions from all over the province. Many of our committee members are new this year and bring fresh perspectives ...

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## [T.e.l.l. December Summary] Open Badges in Higher Education

*This post contributed by Melissa Jakubec, TRU*

Erin Fields, Liaison Librarian and Flexible Learning Coordinator, gave a fascinating T.E.L.L. session on the use of open badges in higher education and UBC's projects in particular.

Erin explained the nature of digital badges, tracing their origins to the physical badges earned as Girl Guides or Scouts. She noted that the growth of ...

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## [Institutional Report] Douglas College

*Contributed by Hope Miller, Douglas College*

My name is Hope Miller. I am one of three Online Learning Designers/Trainers for Douglas College in the Academic Technology Services unit. My primary role is to assist faculty in integrating educational technologies in their courses, including training them to use Blackboard, Collaborate, and various other programs. We also offer ...

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## Meet Melissa Robertson from Vancouver Island University

*Contributed by Janine Hirtz, UBC Okanagan*

**Tell us a bit about where you work and what you do.**

I work at Vancouver Island University (VIU) as a Learning Technologies Support Specialist. I support faculty and students in the use of our online learning management system, WordPress, and video streaming server (Kaltura).

**How long have you been involved in teaching and ...**

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## Meet Stephanie Boychuk from Vancouver Island University

*Contributed by Janine Hirtz, UBC Okanagan*

**Tell us a bit about where you work and what you do.**

I work for Vancouver Island University (VIU) as a Learning Technologies Support Specialist. I support faculty and students in their use of our LMS, as well as other educational technology.

**How long have you been involved in teaching and learning and educational ...**

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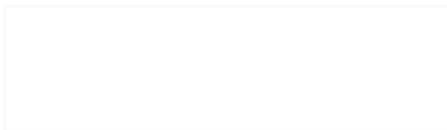
## Liberating Structures

**Liberating Structures** are a **collection of powerful facilitation strategies** that can be used in our classrooms, everyday meetings, strategic planning sessions, workshops, presentations, etc. They are **seriously fun** methods to engage and work together.

Liberating Structures are **small design shifts** that move us gently away from more constraining “conventional structures” (e.g., lectures, open discussions, round robin updates, brainstorm) and toward sessions that quickly foster lively participation in groups of any size, making it possible to **unleash and include everyone**.

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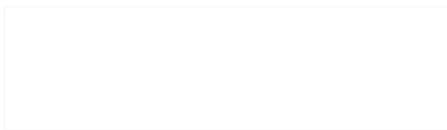


## The William and Flora Hewlett Foundation supports the B.C. Open Textbook Project

BCcampus is the proud recipient of a grant from [The William and Flora Hewlett Foundation](#) in the amount of \$525, 000 USD over three years to support the [Open Textbook Project](#) in British Columbia.

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## Educational Technology: Is it BCcampus, BCNET or both?

BCcampus and [BCNET](#) support the 25 public post-secondary institutions in B.C., but they both have a very distinct and robust scope within their member institutions. A well-known leader in innovation, BCcampus collaborates with partner institutions to identify and pilot new educational technologies, as well as helping institutions evaluate and develop good practice in the use of

technology for teaching and learning. BCNET works closely with the Information Technology departments within the member institutions, providing shared services and shared procurements.

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