



**ENGAGE  
IECC  
2023**

**CULTIVATING COMMUNITY & EXPANDING SKILLS**

AUGUST 11, 2023

OLNEY CENTRAL COLLEGE

**FORWARD >>>**  
**>>> TOGETHER**



## Faculty & Staff:

We are excited to welcome you back to campus as we officially begin our 2024 Academic Year. Today is the first day of our "Engage IECC" campaign – an effort intended to highlight the importance of building relationships and pursuing professional growth.

As I reflect on the efforts of the past academic year, I am amazed at all we have accomplished together. We have embraced Guided Pathways, built better student support systems, improved online course delivery, adopted new technologies and teaching pedagogy, redoubled our efforts to serve business & industry, invested in career & technical education, and worked to expand and beautify our college campuses. As impactful as all these efforts will be, there is no better investment IECC can make than in the professional development of our faculty and staff.

No matter what your role is at IECC, your work – in some way, shape, or form – contributes to changing the lives of the people who enroll in our classes. IECC plays a vital role in shaping the future of our students and the success of our communities. We understand that in order to do this, we need to change rapidly to meet the evolving needs of students and the workforce. For myself, this is part of what makes working in higher education exciting and rewarding – there is ALWAYS an opportunity to find new ways to do our work better. That is what "Engage IECC" is all about.

Our hope is that the sessions you participate in today get you excited about professional development opportunities available to you throughout the academic year. I know one of the barriers people communicate about PD is not knowing what is available and how they can engage it. We hope you will check out our new PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT web page which details the many ways you can grow in your profession in one convenient location.

The screenshot shows a website page titled "Professional Development" for Illinois Eastern Community Colleges. The main heading is "PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT" with the sub-heading "Unlocking Potential Through Professional Development". The text states: "At IECC, we believe in the power of professional development for our faculty and staff. It allows us to grow as professionals, creating a stronger institution and enhancing teaching and learning experiences for our students. By investing in professional development, we are investing in our future. We foster collaboration, support employee success, create pathways for advancement, and ultimately stay aligned with our goals of excellence and innovation." Below the text are five categories with "Learn More" links: EngageIECC, CETL, PD APPLICATIONS, E-Learning, and Business and Industry.

I'd like to thank you all for the outstanding work you are doing. I look forward to what the year ahead will bring for IECC, our students, and our communities!

Forward Together,

Ryan Gower

## SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

### Breakfast/Professional Photo Opportunity

8:00-8:30 AM - Student Union

#### Welcome

8:30-8:45 AM - Dr. John Stull Theatre

#### International Spotlight

8:45-9:00 AM - Dr. John Stull Theatre

#### CETL Update

9:00-9:15 AM - Dr. John Stull Theatre

#### Dr. Ryan Gower

9:15-10:00 AM - Dr. John Stull Theatre

#### Break

10:00-10:15 AM

### React & Respond: Empowering Survivors - Active Shooter Response Training

10:15-11:00 AM - Dr. John Stull Theatre

#### Team Building & Recognition

11:00-11:45 AM - Dr. John Stull Theatre

### Developmental Education Discussion (Math & English Faculty Only)

11:30 AM - 12:00 PM - Wattleworth Hall 103

### Transition Time/Professional Photo Opportunity

11:45 AM - 12:00 PM

### Lunch/Professional Photo Opportunity

12:00-1:00 PM - Student Union

#### Breakout Sessions

1:00-1:30 PM

Growth Mindset	HR Session	MS Teams	Cyber Scams	Canvas Open House	Dialogue with the Chancellor	Narcan/AED	O&M
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#### Breakout Sessions

1:40-2:10 PM

Diversity & Communication in the Workplace	HR Session	Leveraging AI for Your Workflow	Cyber Scams	Canvas Open House	Dialogue with the Chancellor	Narcan/AED	O&M
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#### Breakout Sessions

2:20-2:50 PM

Growth Mindset	HR Session	MS Teams	Cyber Scams	Canvas Open House	Dialogue with the Chancellor	Narcan/AED	O&M
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#### Breakout Sessions

3:00-3:30 PM

Diversity & Communication in the Workplace	HR Session	MS Leveraging AI for Your Workflow	Cyber Scams	Canvas Open House	Dialogue with the Chancellor	Narcan/AED (O&M)	O&M
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#### Dismiss

3:30 PM

## SESSION INFORMATION - MAIN STAGE

### Welcome Address from Chancellor

**THEATRE - DR. RYAN GOWER**

Dr. Ryan Gower will discuss the future strategic direction and goals of the institution while answering questions about the immediate impact on the attendees.

### Expanding Horizons: Updates on IECC's International Student Program

**THEATRE - CASSANDRA GOLDMAN**

This presentation highlights our recent recruitment efforts, including innovative strategies employed to attract talented individuals from around the world. Gain valuable insights into how IECC fosters a diverse and inclusive community, opening doors to global perspectives.

### React & Respond: Empowering Survivors – Active Shooter Response Training

**THEATRE - CHRIS FORDE**

Learn life-saving strategies and techniques to effectively respond to active shooter situations. You will be guided through the principles of situational awareness, communication, and quick decision-making, empowering you with the tools to increase their chances of survival and protect others in a high-stress environment. You will learn the best practices to use to act swiftly and strategically if you would ever be faced with an active shooter threat.

### Team Building and Recognition - Uniting and Celebrating IECC's Best

**THEATRE**

In this session, we strive to create a vibrant atmosphere of collaboration and camaraderie, encouraging every participant to engage and connect with their colleagues in dynamic team-building exercises. This session is more than just fun and games – it's an opportunity to strengthen our communal ties and improve our collective performance. Moreover, we'll take a moment to shine a light on the extraordinary efforts of our team members, applauding their dedication and achievements. It's a testament to the power of recognition, and a chance to inspire and motivate the entire IECC community.

## BREAKOUT SESSIONS - WATTLEWORTH HALL

### Having a Growth Mindset

**1:00 & 2:20**

**ROOM 103 - KATE PLEASANT**

Our mindset is what we believe about ourselves; it's how we view and interpret our own lives. It creates the foundation upon which we live our lives. Facing challenges with a growth mindset involves self-reflection, resilience, and perseverance. This workshop teaches accepting constructive criticism and learning from your mistakes.

### Diversity and Communication in the Workplace

**1:40 & 3:00**

**ROOM 103 - KATE PLEASANT**

By learning how to create an inclusive and diverse workplace, participants will understand the value of a culture that celebrates differences and encourages open communication. The workshop covers topics like recognizing unconscious biases, personality assessments, and learning to recognize and respect what others bring to the table.

### HR Refresh: Unveiling Updated Vacation Balances and Introducing TimelyCare

**1:00, 1:40, 2:20 & 3:00**

**ROOM 108 - HR STAFF**

Embark on an informative journey with our Human Resources team in "HR Refresh". This session centers around clarifying recent updates to vacation and leave balances, ensuring everyone is on the same page and equipped with the necessary knowledge. The spotlight will also shine on our new partnership with TimelyCare, a program designed to support the wellbeing of our staff. And, of course, our HR experts will be available to field your queries, offering clarity and guidance on all HR-related matters. It's a perfect chance to stay abreast of changes, understand new resources, and get all your pressing HR questions answered.

### Mastering MS 365: Harnessing Teams & OneDrive

**1:00 & 2:20**

**ROOM 104 - BRANDON WEGER & CAMERON IRELAND**

Explore the potent features of Microsoft 365, focusing on the collaborative capabilities of Teams and the powerful storage solutions of OneDrive. Learn how to seamlessly integrate these tools into your daily workflow, promoting productivity and enhancing communication within your team.

### Leveraging AI for your Workflow

**1:40 & 3:00**

**ROOM 104 - CAMERON IRELAND**

Discover the potential of AI in our educational landscape with this comprehensive session, 'Leveraging AI for your Workflow.' Learn how to harness the power of AI tools such as Notion, ChatGPT, Adobe Express Beta, There'sAnAIForThat.com, and AI-powered QR codes to streamline tasks and ignite creativity. Explore the practical applications of these tools, from simplifying project management, enhancing user experiences, creating stunning visuals, to assisting in coding. The session culminates with a collaborative discussion on future AI use cases, positioning us at the forefront of technology-driven education.

### Cyber SCAMS

**1:00, 1:40, 2:20 & 3:00**

**ROOM 203 - ALEX CLINE**

The Cyber SCAMS session is an essential component of our commitment to promoting digital security across our institution. This session is designed to provide faculty and staff with an understanding of the various forms of cyber threats, scams, and phishing techniques that are prevalent in today's digital world. Participants will gain insights into identifying potential threats, understanding the mechanisms of digital scams, and implementing effective strategies to safeguard personal and institutional data. The goal is to foster a resilient digital environment where our faculty and staff can operate safely, securely, and confidently.



## MY BREAKOUT SESSIONS

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## ONLINE MAPS OF OLNEY CENTRAL COLLEGE



## LEARN ABOUT PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT OPPORTUNITIES

