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More Fun than Cheating: Creative Course Design to Foster Student Engagement Invitation

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The Humanities Edge Program invites full-time Humanities faculty to apply for the first in a series of one-day seminars planned for the Fall 2019 and Spring 2020 semesters.

The inaugural seminar will be held at Florida International University on Monday, October 7, 2019 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. The theme is "More Fun than Cheating: Creative Course Design to Foster Student Engagement."

In his book *Cheating Lessons*, James Lang argues that educators have more success promoting academic integrity by cultivating intellectually stimulating learning environments than by policing student behavior. In that spirit, we invite faculty to submit proposals (approximately 300 words) describing assignments or activities designed to maximize student engagement.

Proposals should answer the following questions:

- What is the activity/assignment and what inspired it?
- How did the activity/assignment contribute to an intellectually stimulating learning environment?
- What was the best part of the experience?
- What might you do differently next time?

From the submitted proposals, ten faculty fellows will be chosen to present at the seminar. Presentations will take the form of a PechaKucha, in which presenters narrate over 20 images, each lasting 20 seconds. PechaKuchas provide a useful medium for telling a concise and compelling story about one's teaching.

For a sample PechaKucha that also provides more context for the seminar, see below:

{Here, we have a link to our PPT}

Attendees will receive a \$300 stipend for their participation. Lunch will be provided.

The application is open to all full-time faculty working in Humanities disciplines including the digital humanities, art + art history, history, English, philosophy, modern languages, classical studies, and gender and ethnic studies.

NOTE: For this CFP, applicants only need to submit the 300-word proposal. Those selected as seminar fellows will then be asked to prepare PechaKucha presentations for the seminar.

Applications are due at 11:59 p.m. on Sept. 13, 2019. Fellows will be announced by Sept. 20, 2019.

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