

BOOK CLUB

Against Returning to Normal: The New College Classroom

Meet up Dates & Time: Fridays (3-part series)

- **Oct. 20;** 12:00-1:00 p.m. CDT/10:00-11:00 a.m. MST
- **Nov. 3;** 12:00-1:00 p.m. CDT/10:00-11:00 a.m. MST
- **Nov. 17;** 12:00-1:00 p.m. CST/10:00-11:00 a.m. MST

Registrants must agree to attend all 3 sessions. Book provided.

Registration capped at 15. [Click to register.](#)



Facilitators: **Brooke Kowalke, PhD**, English & Medical Humanities, College of Arts & Sciences & School of Medicine, CFE Faculty Associate & **Cristina Velez, MS. Ed.**, Instructional Designer, Center for Faculty Excellence

Deliverable: Hybrid; In-person at CFE Training Room (RAL-L33-L34) & Virtual via Zoom

This program will NOT be recorded.

Participants will meet three times over the course of the Fall semester to discuss Cathy N. Davidson and Christina Katopodis' book, *The New College Classroom*. The book, written during the COVID-19 lockdown period, provides theoretical and practical guidance for creating more accessible and inclusive college classrooms. The authors characterize the book as “an invitation to change.” Within our context at Creighton, the book also presents an opportunity to re-examine how our classroom practices can better embody the charism of cura personalis for all of our students. During the book club meetings, we will foster a “sandbox” environment where participants can experiment with and experience some of the strategies for a more inclusive classroom that are described in the book.

Learning outcomes:

- Participants will be able to articulate a nuanced sense of who the Creighton student is and who they are becoming.
- Participants will be able to articulate their idea of what qualities should characterize a college classroom—at Creighton in 2023.
- After choosing at least one strategy from the book that they want to try in their classroom in the Spring of 2024, participants will describe how and why they plan to implement it in their classroom.

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