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## Connecting While Remote: Online Teaching Best Practices Invitation

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Dear Colleagues,

Please join us next week for *Connecting While Remote: Online Teaching Best Practices: A Humanities Edge Faculty Seminar*.

The Seminar will take place over Zoom on **Tuesday June 2, 2020 from 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.**

[CLICK HERE](#) to register.

The sudden move to online teaching in Spring 2020 left many instructors with questions, stories and tips to share.

Seven FIU professors from across the Humanities will present on their experiences moving in-person classes to online. They will discuss what worked, what didn't, and new strategies they developed to help make the move easier.

Our panelists will include Dr. Amy Kahrman Huseby, Dr. Magda Novelli Pearson, Dr. Judith Mansilla, Dr. Heather Blatt, Dr. Ebru Özer, Dr. Dan Royles, and Xinia Foster. Please see their bios below.

The faculty panel will be immediately followed by short introductions from online teaching experts [Maikel Alendy](#), [Aisha Hamid](#) and [Amilcar Castellano-Sanchez](#) who will briefly respond to the presentations and answer panelists questions. We will then open it up to a Q&A from the audience.

Thank you for helping us spread the word!

#### BIOS:

Dr. Amy Kahrman Huseby is an Instructor in the English Department at FIU. She earned her Ph.D. in English Language and Literature from the University of Wisconsin-Madison in 2017. She regularly teaches upper- and lower-division courses, including a variety of popular courses in the major on British literature of the long nineteenth century, such as "19th-Century Women Write the Empire," "Sex and the City, a survey of British literature 1750-Present," and "Alias Victorian: Doubles, Doppelgängers, and Twins." In the 2020-21 academic year, she will join the Honors College as a Fellow.

Dr. Magda Novelli Pearson is the Italian Program coordinator at FIU. She is in charge of two Study Abroad Programs in Italy. Advisor of the Italian club and FIU University Instructor. In charge of CELI exams in cooperation with University of Perugia (Italy). Her interests are in COIL (Collaborative Online International Learning) projects. She already coiled several courses at FIU in partner with University of Perugia (Italy)."

Dr. Judith Mansilla is Instructor at the Department of History. She teaches various undergraduate classes covering diverse topics of Latin America History, where she focuses her research expertise. In her courses, she emphasizes the role of Latin

American within the current process of globalization, which started when Europeans reached the New World.

Dr. Heather Blatt is an Associate Professor of Literature, Director of the Literature and Film Program in the English Department, and Associate Director of Liberal Studies. She teaches on medieval literature. In addition to her research into medieval reading and race, she has published on pedagogy, served as a CAT Faculty Fellow and Hybrid Faculty Fellow, and has won FIU's highest award for teaching.

Dr. Ebru Özer is an associate professor of landscape architecture. She teaches design studios, landscape technology, and digital communication. Her research focuses on green infrastructure design and trail design. She is a recipient of FIU Faculty Senate Excellence in Teaching Award and is co-author of Best Practices in Sustainable Building Design.

Dr. Dan Royles is an Assistant Professor of History at Florida International University in Miami. His book *To Make the Wounded Whole: the Political Culture of African American AIDS Activism* (forthcoming in September 2020 from University of North Carolina Press) examines grassroots responses to the disproportionate impact of HIV and AIDS on Black communities.

Xinia Foster taught Language Arts in Miami Dade County Public Schools for 17 years. In the last few years, she was the Writing and Rhetoric Dual Enrollment teacher at Ferguson SHS and transitioned into an adjunct position from there. This year she joined the FIU family as a Traveling Instructor in the English Department.