Education Institute Winter Calendar Recently Released

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Check out what's coming up at the Education Institute this coming week!

There are usually 2 sessions per week until April.

For those in the Health Science area there is a 4 part series, TAKING PUBMED TO THE NEXT LEVEL starting on Tuesday, February 21. Approved for 4 MLA CE credits.

LIBRARY ETHNOGRAPHY: DESIGNING SPACES AND SERVICES PEOPLE REALLY WANT FREE

Tuesday, January 17 | 12 - 1PM Presenter: Lily Yuxi Ren

Based on the success of anthropological and ethnographic methods used to examine information retrieval behaviors, library staff can implement similar methods to guide the efforts of libraries in improving its facilities and services, reference outreach, and web presence. Using ethnographic case studies, participants will learn about the various ways ethnographies can inspire innovative and forward thinking in designing library programs and services. Understanding information seeking behaviors of library patrons will determine the need of particular communities and groups, and what they really want their libraries to provide. This will enable librarians to design library spaces and develop new ways to facilitate and mediate the sharing of information in their communities. A significant development in library and information science research, this workshop will draw on the applications of ethnographic methods to capture comprehensive information about information behavior to improve programs and services in academic, private, and public libraries.

This session is part of the Bright Young Minds webinar series.

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BEST PRACTICES FOR ONLINE STEM LEARNING AND OUTREACH FREE

Thursday, January 19 | 1 - 2PM Presenters: Thursday, January 19 | 1 - 2PM

Hear how East Gwillimbury added an online component to STEM programs to compliment and augment existing Maker/hands-on STEM in-library learning. Integrating online resources into programming engaged children, and in turn resulted in parental engagement and extended STEM learning outside library hours. Demand for STEM programming increased, staff engagement with new technology increased, and the library emerged as the technology-learning place in the community.

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