



Working Together

FLEX Day - February 16, 2016

11 AM - 11:50 AM (with Brown Bag lunch at 12) Room
2206

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VULNERABILITY
is not about
fear and grief and disappointment
IT IS THE BIRTHPLACE OF
everything we're hungry for.

— BRENÉ BROWN

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Tales of Vulnerability



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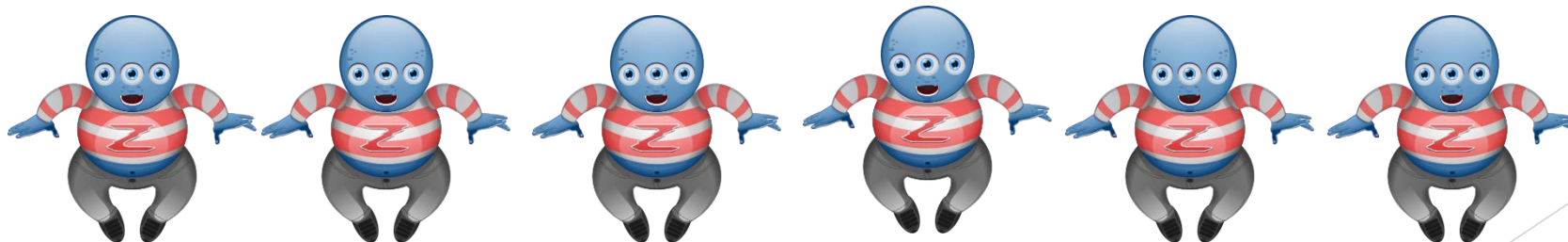


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Aliens, Racism, and a Repugnant Student (Howard Blumenfeld)

- Awkward conversations before class
- Fear of the unknown and retaliation
- An unsteady relief



I'm disappointed. (Brittany Miller)

- American Dream (Academy Edition)
- Dream Deferred
- What now?



I have  a dream...



Sometimes it can't wait. (Steve Chiolis)

- Instant Active Listening
- When the rules don't seem to apply
- Did I handle this correctly?



LISTEN



Did they not have a lot of applicants?
(Marsha Vernoga)

- What have I gotten myself into?
- A veiled insult
- College Day



Our idea



- ▶ Goal: regular meetings; small groups
- ▶ Each group determines meeting frequency
- ▶ Your input needed:
 - ▶ how can we best use our time to form engaging and effective communities together?

Availability



▶ Group breakout session facilitators:

- **Brittany Miller**
- **Marsha Vernoga**
- **Howard Blumenfeld**
- **Steve Chiolis**

Questions to answer in groups

- Think of a time in your teaching (working with others) when you felt exposed, didn't know what to do. How did you react?
- Have you ever felt absolutely foolish in the classroom? Tell us about it.
- How do we support each other during moments of vulnerability?



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- ▶ Brown Bag Lunch Session - Video showcasing Vulnerability by Brene Brown (12 - 12:20 PM) followed by informal discussion.
- ▶ If you are interested in continuing these conversations and would like to be a part of a small group, please fill out the following form online:

<http://goo.gl/forms/rWR7Tb2obl>

Vulnerability Brown Bag Lunch Session



Thank you!



- ▶ We hope you enjoyed our FLEX day activity and look forward to seeing you again soon!
- ▶ Feel free to contact any one of us in person or by email if you have any questions, comments, or feedback.
- ▶ The form to fill out if you are interested in being a part of future meetings is

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