

The Office for Teaching and Learning presents...

Simulations for Classroom Use

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Tim regularly presents at educational conferences, such as the Lilly Conference on College and University Teaching and has authored many book chapters and papers on teaching and technology. He was the 2006 Fellow of the International Board of Standards for Training, Performance and Instruction (ibstpi) and is also a reviewer for two educational journals.



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144 Purdy/Kresge Library
(Simons Room)

Branching story simulations are a powerful, yet easy to develop, instructional strategy. Dr. Timothy (Tim) Spannaus will discuss the development of simulations in one of his own courses.

Within the course, students developed branching stories. The experience of analyzing and documenting the decisions required of the simulation's target population sharpened the students' understanding, while the practice of demonstrating and critiquing stories improved their work over the course of the semester. The course demonstrated the usefulness of branching stories, concluding that faculty and students can develop these flexible tools for their own use.

Bring your lunch to this brown bag session and spend some time with your colleagues discussing how you might use branching story simulations in your own courses.

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