

Integrative Thinking Essentials for Educators

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I-Think

Helping students (and ourselves) make better decisions more of the time

Join us for a three-day teacher institute at the Rotman School

Monday, August 25 - Wednesday, August 27, 2014

This hands-on three-day institute is designed to introduce and help you become familiar with Integrative Thinking. This institute will provide you with tools to broaden your students' approach to creative problem-solving, help them seek out new perspectives and think more productively when faced with difficult choices, both in and out of the classroom.

As a participant you will:

- Learn the theory and tools of Integrative Thinking that:
 - » Help make our thinking explicit
 - » Enable creativity through design principles
 - » Facilitate better collaboration
- Explore how you might use Integrative Thinking in your classroom and at your school
- Collaborate with other educators from across grade levels, subject areas and schools
- Be inspired by educators who have brought Integrative Thinking to their classrooms

Join us for a dynamic three-days, where you will walk away with an expanded tool box to enable creative problem solving with your students and new activities that you can try in your classroom the first week of school.

Dates: Monday, August 25 - Wednesday, August 27, 2014

Location: Rotman School of Management
105 St. George Street, Toronto

Register now!

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What is Integrative Thinking?

Integrative Thinking is an approach to creative problem solving developed at the Rotman School of Management. At core, it is about making better choices more of the time.

Many of us, when faced with a difficult choice and no good answers, default to choosing the least miserable option. Integrative Thinking is about choosing to create new and better answers instead.

Integrative thinkers seek to create new ideas by rethinking and combining apparently divergent choices – without having to make costly trade-offs. They dig into and leverage the tension between conflicting ideas to generate new ways of doing things.

What is I-Think?

At Rotman, we've been teaching Integrative Thinking to business students and executives for more than a decade. I-Think is our initiative to support teachers and administrators in adapting these tools to the world of K-12 education.

Integrative Thinking can be particularly useful when students:

- Are entrenched in a position,
- Could do a better job of explaining their own thinking,
- Need to come to creative solutions.



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