

2021-2022 MCCB VIRTUAL ZOOM SERIES

Emerging From the Pandemic

Do we continue to offer increased online and/or hybrid labs or do we get back to hands-on face-to-face labs?

Leigh Kleinert and Tim Periard, Biology Instructors, Grand Rapids Community College

Friday, October 22, 2021: 12:00pm – 1:00pm

An opportunity for those in attendance to share ideas from their online/hybrid experiences this past year regarding virtual activities that worked best, those that did not, and (anecdotally) how are students performing in these online and virtual modalities compared to face to face before the pandemic?

Natural Selection – Why So Hard? Pitfalls in Teaching Natural

Pitfalls in Teaching Natural Selection and What To Do About It

Katherine LaCommare, University of Michigan

Friday, December 10, 2021: 12:00pm – 1:00pm

When Travel Meets Teaching: Marine Science In the Florida Keys

Trish Finerty, Biology Faculty, Mid-Michigan College

February 18, 2022: 12:00pm – 1:00pm

Trish has been teaching through travel courses for high school, college, and community students since 2004. She will present her experiences of teaching onsite and traveling with students with a focus on a marine science course she will be teaching in August 2022. This session will explore the benefits of travel courses, the logistics of organizing a travel course and will focus more specifically on marine science and how it is taught on site at Marine Lab in Key Largo, Florida.

At the end of this seminar, there will be a brief discussion on the status of Covid-19 and whether or not we should have a Spring MCCB Conference.

The Changing Landscape of Dual Enrollment – Opportunities, Challenges, and Future Trends

Jeff Percha, Biology Faculty, Mid-Michigan College

April 15, 2022: 12:00pm – 1:00pm

Beginning with a brief presentation of dual enrollment at MMC, a roundtable discussion will ensue allowing participants to share their experiences serving dual students and their thoughts on what the future of dual enrollment will be.

At the end of this seminar, Jeff will “pass the gavel” on to MCCB President-elect John Doudna.