



The First Year Experience Community Update

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Critical Thinking in Higher Education

Dr. Jeff Allbritten presented as a keynote speaker in the Cornerstone Critical Thinking in Careers lecture series on Monday, October 13, 2014. Students were thrilled to learn more about critical thinking from their college leadership and enjoyed meeting and interacting with President Allbritten in an intimate setting.



Dr. Allbritten engaging with Cornerstone students

Cornerstone Faculty Feature

What do you enjoy most about teaching the class?

I most enjoy watching a learning community form amongst my students. At the beginning of the semester they don't even know each other's names, and by the end they're sharing resources and supporting each other academically and personally.

Why did you choose to teach SLS 1515?

I chose to teach SLS 1515, because it was a class I should have taken. I think it is the key to helping students learn time management, how to utilize college resources, and how to find the balance between their academic, professional, and personal lives.

How did the course change you?

The course has changed me by reminding me that I am always learning. Each student has so much to share and offer, and by listening to each other our knowledge of the world continues to grow and change.



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Cornerstone students are raising money for Unicef's Eliminate Project to eliminate MNT Maternal Neonatal Tetanus (MNT). This fundraiser will continue through the middle of November. Several classes have already raised over \$100 and have the opportunity to "Pie" their Peer Architect. See the video below for two of the "pie-ings"! We are hoping to raise over \$1,500 for Unicef 's Eliminate Project through this campaign.

*The Office of Student Life held a successful Service Saturday event on October 11th, 2014
72 FSW students volunteered at the Imaginarium for Mad Scientist Day!
40 of the volunteers are currently enrolled in the Cornerstone Experience class.*



Professor Rhyne volunteering with her Cornerstone students



Sue Buntic volunteering with students in the slime room.

