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Subject: Your TLC news

Dear Colleagues,

In this issue of our *TLC News*, we've decided to highlight our up-coming TLC Lunch this Wednesday. Michelle Kuo, whose recent publication *Reading with Patrick* tells her story about teaching in the Mississippi Delta, will lead our conversation about diversity both in and out of the classroom. When asked to describe what she imagined this lunch conversation to look like, she sent us the following:

In this discussion we'll begin by reading student testimonies on issues including mental health, race, ethnicity, sexuality, and nationality. We'll brainstorm why they might feel invisible or alone at AUP. We will take seriously student complaints that our faculty lacks people of color and that our curriculum fails to represent their full range of interests, including non-Western history, literature, and thought. What can teachers do in a classroom to create humane spaces of generative, self-reflective conversation? How can our classrooms support students to create the community they need outside of it?

Many of you have expressed concerns about these issues at AUP and an interest in discussing them. We're looking forward to bringing you together for this, and we thank Michelle in advance for providing this opportunity.

Other upcoming TLC events include:

TLC lunches: Wed. 12:15-1:15 (G-102) – Bring your lunch

28 March Diversity both in and out of the classroom, facilitated by Michelle Kuo

11 April *Giving and Receiving Feedback,* facilitated by Rebekah Rast, Mark Ennis and Claudia Roda

25 April How to build well-integrated FirstBridge and co-taught courses, facilitated by Elena Berg and Elizabeth Kinne

Second Mellon Seminar of the semester:

17 April – 6pm in C-102 *Active/Experiential Learning Projects,* facilitated by Russell Williams and Hannah Westley

Best wishes,

Your TLC

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