

TED TALK TUESDAY

Fall 2020 Schedule

Come together with the DCTC community to watch and discuss various Ted Talks, accessible through www.ted.com.

What is TED?

- A nonprofit organization devoted to sharing Ideas Worth Spreading.

Why participate? Learn about ideas that will help you...

- Develop skills to enhance your academic and personal success.
- Increase awareness of being a responsible global citizen.

Aug. 25, 2 p.m. **How To Skip the Small Talk and Connect With Anyone | Kalina Silverman**
Kalina Silverman wanted to see what could happen if she approached strangers and skipped the small talk to have more meaningful conversations with them instead. She made a video documenting the experience. The stories she heard and the connections she made proved that there's power in taking the time to stop and ask people to reflect on the questions that truly matter in life. Since then, she has continued to work on expanding Big Talk into a movement that inspires and enables people to connect with one another on a deeper level.

Discussion Facilitated by: Anna Voight, Associate Director of Student Life

Sept. 8, 2 p.m. **Why we have too few women leaders | Sheryl Sandberg**
Facebook COO Sheryl Sandberg looks at why a smaller percentage of women than men reach the top of their professions -- and offers 3 powerful pieces of advice to women aiming for the C-suite.

Discussion Facilitated by: Dawn Easley, Early Childhood & Youth Development Faculty; WE:LEAD Advisor

Sept. 22, 3 p.m. **We need to talk about an injustice | Bryan Stevenson**
In an engaging and personal talk -- with cameo appearances from his grandmother and Rosa Parks -- human rights lawyer Bryan Stevenson shares some hard truths about America's justice system, starting with a massive imbalance along racial lines: a third of the country's black male population has been incarcerated at some point in their lives. These issues, which are wrapped up in America's unexamined history, are rarely talked about with this level of candor, insight and persuasiveness.

Discussion Facilitated by: Erin Manthey, Math Faculty; Sexuality & Gender Acceptance Association Advisor



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Oct. 6, 3 p.m. Success, failure and the drive to keep creating | Elizabeth Gilbert
Elizabeth Gilbert was once an "unpublished diner waitress," devastated by rejection letters. And yet, in the wake of the success of 'Eat, Pray, Love,' she found herself identifying strongly with her former self. With beautiful insight, Gilbert reflects on why success can be as disorienting as failure and offers a simple -- though hard -- way to carry on, regardless of outcomes.

Discussion Facilitated by: Brett Kolles, English Faculty; Lions Club Advisor

Oct. 20, 2 p.m. Moralizing Technology and the Ethics of Things | Peter-Paul Verbeek
In this TEDx talk from The University of Twente in The Netherlands, Peter-Paul Verbeek explains why he thinks an ethics of behavior-influencing technology is possible. Verbeek is a professor in the Philosophy of Science, Technology and Society department at Twente and is the president of the Society for Philosophy and Technology. After viewing the talk, attendees will discuss the merits and demerits of Professor Verbeek's thinking with a focus on his supporting examples. Students in all technical programs will find this talk interesting and relevant to their studies.

Discussion Facilitated by: Wes Jorde, Philosophy Faculty

Nov. 3 The Muslim on the airplane | Amal Kassir
Watching the news, it seems like ethnic divides are ever-deepening. But how can we solve these complicated problems when each side lives in fear of the other? The answer is simple, argues Syrian-American poet Amal Kassir - it starts with, "What's your name?" Amal, a young Muslim-American and native Coloradan, found a platform for her voice growing up working in her family's restaurant. She has been writing poetry since she was a child and has performed in eight countries, sharing her verse everywhere from youth prisons to orphanages to refugee camps.

Discussion Facilitated by: Cine` Tonou, Student Leader

Nov. 17, 3 p.m. The nerd's guide to learning everything online | John Green
Some of us learn best in the classroom, and some of us ... well, we don't. But we still love to learn -- we just need to find the way that works for us. In this charming, personal talk, author John Green shares the community of learning that he found in online video.

Discussion Facilitated by: Natalie Shrestha, Academic & Financial Aid Advisor

Dec. 1, 2 p.m. The Urgency of intersectionality | Kimberlé Crenshaw
Now more than ever, it's important to look boldly at the reality of race and gender bias -- and understand how the two can combine to create even more harm. Kimberlé Crenshaw uses the term "intersectionality" to describe this phenomenon; as she says, if you're standing in the path of multiple forms of exclusion, you're likely to get hit by both. In this moving talk, she calls on us to bear witness to this reality and speak up for victims of prejudice.

Discussion Facilitated by: Aria Kronebusch, Title III Project Coordinator

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