12.30 - 2.00pm  
Tuesday 16 June  
Oceans Institute Seminar Room G.05, corner Fairway Street and Edwards Street

Abstract:
In semester 2, 2013 A/Prof Cesar Ortega-Sanchez led a project in the School of Electrical Engineering and Computing at Curtin University aimed at supporting academics to transform one element of their unit using technology.

The project was a professional development initiative facilitated by a learning engagement developer and a consultant. A study was conducted to analyse participants’ perception before and after the transformation project. Based on the findings, a set of take home messages were developed that characterise various aspects of a professional development program that may support transformation projects.

This presentation will illustrate the nature of the professional development program, present transformation case studies and promote the take home messages.

About the presenters:

Cesar Ortega-Sanchez is Academic Director of the Engineering Foundation Year at Curtin University. He has been teaching Computer Systems Engineering since 1993.

In 2014 and 2015 he was nominated for an OLT Citation by Curtin for his work enhancing the student experience through extracurricular activities. In recent years, he has led a couple of Curtin-funded projects to raise the Teaching and Learning profile of academics. His results and findings have been presented in national and international Teaching and Learning conferences.

Diana Taylor has worked in higher education since 2008 designing and facilitating professional development in the area of educational technologies and new pedagogies. She is experienced in project management, resource development and mentoring academics in becoming early adaptors of innovative educational technologies through action research. For the past two and a half years Diana has been working specifically within the Faculty of Science and engineering facilitating Curtin’s Transforming Teaching and Learning strategic initiative.

RSVP:
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There will be a light lunch, refreshments and an opportunity to network informally from 12.30pm followed by the presentations.