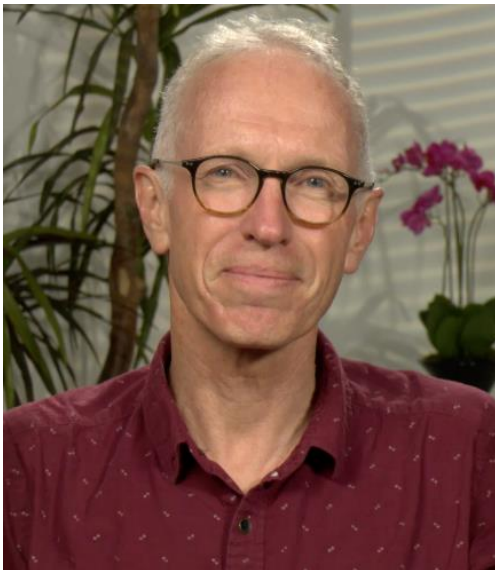


Centre for Medical and Health Sciences Education (CMHSE)

Research Seminar Series

Monday 19 February, 12noon - 1.30pm
Room 505-007, Grafton Campus

Should recordings replace the traditional lecture?



We gathered information by a review of the literature, online surveys of staff and students in the Faculty of Medical and Health Sciences, and intensive discussions with small groups. Recordings are popular with students but not with staff. In theory recordings complement participation in lectures but in practice, recordings commonly substitute for attendance. Recordings provide students with more choices and it is not clear whether they improve academic performance overall, or detract from it. But we note significant unintended consequences, which include students spending less time at university, avoiding the class-room except where assessment requires their presence, and taking on overlapping course schedules and part-time paid-work. How can the positive features of lecture recordings be retained, while managing the risks, especially for vulnerable students, and improving the

quality of teaching and learning? Do the purpose and content of the university lecture require a fundamental re-think?

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12noon – 12.30pm – light lunch and networking

12.30 – 1.30pm – Seminar presentation

If you are interested in presenting at one of our monthly seminars please email your idea to:

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