Welcome to the Graduate School of eLearning (GSeL). The semester 2/2016 will end on May 15. Next month all M.S. programs will conduct their Final Exams (FEs). Please contact the Program Directors if you have any questions about the exam locations and the schedule. Overseas students should get clear instructions for undertaking the proctored exam at designated centers. If you need any advice or help from me, please use the contact information given below:

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The following is the Academic Calendar for 2016-2017:

- First Semester (1/2016): August 16 – December 16
- Second Semester (2/2016): January 17 – May 17
- Summer Session (3/2017): June 17 – August 17

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**I Took the AI Class**

Facebookers Are Literally Sprinkling to Get Into

Cade Metz

Chia-Chiun Ho was eating lunch inside Facebook headquarters, at the Full Circle Cafe, when he saw the notice on his phone: Larry Zitnick, one of the leading figures at the Facebook Artificial Intelligence Research Lab, was teaching another class on deep learning.

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**Freirean Principles for E-Learning**

Davin Carr-Cheliman

In e-learning, teaching is often constrained by many factors such as economic limitations, time availability, access to students, student’s preferences, student readiness, market needs and demands, and students’ access to technology. There is a growing body of literature and research describing the constraints under which much of e-learning operates. Unfortunately, some of these constraints create situations in which teaching in e-learning courses becomes highly behavioristic, rote, and disenaged. How can we make our students’ experiences more engaging and empowering?

One positive step toward better student engagement is gaining a deeper understanding of Paulo Freire’s theories of learning with specific steps for applying those theories directly to e-learning settings.

In certain education circles, Paulo Freire is very well known, carrying extraordinary influence. His esteem is well deserved.

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**Inside the Hunt for Russia’s Most Notorious Hacker**

Garrett M. Graff

On the morning of December 30, 2015, after Barack Obama imposed sanctions on Russia for interfering in the 2016 US election, Tsimlaff Werner was sitting down to breakfast in Bonn, Germany. He spread some jam on a slice of rye bread, poured himself a cup of coffee, and settled in to check Twitter at his dining room table.

The news about the sanctions had broken overnight, so Werner, a researcher with the cybersecurity firm CrowdStrike, was still catching up on details. Following a link to an official statement, Werner saw that the White House had targeted a short parade’s worth of Russian names and institutions—two intelligence agencies, four senior intelligence officials, 35 diplomats, three tech companies, two hackers. Most of the details were a blur. Then Werner stopped scrolling. His eye was locked on one name buried among the targets: Evgeniy Mikhailovich Bogachev.

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**April Fool’s Day**

David Johnson and Shmuel Ross

April Fool’s Day, sometimes called All Fools’ Day, is one of the most light-hearted days of the year. Its origins are uncertain. Some see it as a celebration related to the turn of the seasons, while others believe it stems from the adoption of a new calendar.

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**New Year’s Day Moves**

Ancient cultures, including those of the Romans and Hindus, celebrated New Year’s Day on or around April 1. It followed the vernal equinox (March 20th or March 21st.) In medieval times, much of Europe celebrated March 25, the Feast of Annunciation, as the beginning of the New Year.

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**Songkran Festival**

Songkran is an annual festival which takes place over three days during the traditional Thai New Year, April 13th-15th (in almost all provinces). The official Songkran festival lasts three days but in reality the whole week is taken over by a mass celebration as the whole country shouts down for a momentous water fight. Wild scenes of exuberance can be seen throughout the Kingdom with music, dancing, drinking and people drenched from head to toe. However, there is also a dark side of this weekend festival. These are the full statistics for the ‘Seven Dangerous Days of the Songkran Holiday in 2016.

The final toll was 442 deaths, 3,856 injuries and 3,447 accidents from road accidents.

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**QUOTE OF THE MONTH**

If you salute your work, you do not have to salute anybody.
If you pollute your work, you have to salute everybody.

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