

2024 Online Writing Instruction Community Symposium

The late Bill Hart-Davidson was one of the biggest cheerleaders for [The Online Writing Instruction Community](#) and its founders (Jessie Borgman and Casey McArdle). We know how Bill Hart-Davidson was also a cheerleader for so many others in the Writing Studies field. So, in honor of the late Bill Hart-Davidson, [The Online Writing Instruction Community](#) will be hosting another **free** fully online symposium.

The theme of the symposium will be an inspiring phrase often spoken by Bill: "Give. When in doubt, give more."

Giving in academia can happen in many ways. While it is more obvious when we give in a face-to-face scenario, we all know that giving in an online space happens too. With this symposium, we want to explore the theme of giving in in two ways:

1. What is something you could give to the audience of the symposium? A tip, trick, strategy, etc. that you use in your online courses?
2. What are the ways (or something specific you do) that you give in your daily work or online spaces to students, faculty, colleagues, etc. that you could share with the symposium attendees?

As you think about what you want to present, here are some other ways to consider giving in academia/distance education:

- Giving in the mentorship of online students or faculty
- Giving in the way in which you design your online courses
- Giving in the approach you take to online teaching
- Giving in the way that you handle your administrative duties
- Giving in the many other ways that giving happens
- Giving by presenting about a strategy you use in your online courses that could help others
- Giving by presenting about a strategy you use with your online writing faculty
- Giving by sharing knowledge, like participating in this upcoming symposium and sharing your knowledge with attendees!

We invite scholars of all ranks/positions to submit a proposal to present at the upcoming symposium. We will consider all proposals submitted, but we will be limited on the number of proposals we can accept due to time constraints.

Presenters will be able to choose between a 5-minute ignite talk or a traditional presentation of 10-minutes or less. Whether or not you knew Bill Hart-Davidson, we encourage you to think about the ways you can give presence and knowledge through your participation in this symposium.

To be considered as a possible presenter for this upcoming symposium, please fill out the following Google form. The form asks for your name, email, presentation style preference, a brief

description of what you want to present on/how it aligns with the symposium theme, and your preference on dates for the symposium. We are planning on holding it on Zoom sometime in late October (proposed dates in form).

Link to Google Form: <https://forms.gle/yHMcHYfa1C21jFCc8>

- **Proposals will be accepted until Wednesday September 11th**

If you are unfamiliar with our online symposiums or the format, please check out our past symposiums here: <https://www.owicommunity.org/owi-symposium.html>

If you have any questions, please email us: theowicommunity@gmail.com