

Fram Focus volume 7:8 – March 2022

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Calling our Community! Fram Special Event – COVID Stories: *What Have We Learned and Where Do We Go From Here?* A multi-campus event series on March 15th. Sessions focus on broad topics including sessions on navigating change, work/life balance, student living and learning perspectives, reconnection, teaching and learning practices, student success, misinformation, using the past to inform the present and more! Share our stories, and contribute to what our story can become, and how we want to write it as a community. [Register today!](#)

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- **Women on Wikipedia Edit-a-thon**: Friday, March 25, 2022 from 12:00 pm – 3:00 pm.

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FRAM SPRING SPEAKER SERIES

- **2022 Fram Spring Series Lecture Featuring Dr. Rick Kittles**, Wednesday, March 23, 2022 at 5:00 p.m. Co-sponsored with College of Science. Dr. Kittles will talk about his efforts to integrate the complex issues surrounding race, genetic ancestry, and health disparities into our research and treatment paradigms, and influence on outcomes. Registration is free and pre-registration is required. Come, listen and participate in an engaging presentation and discussion. Register [HERE](#).

CO-SPONSORED EVENTS

- **“Can people be good and bad?”** Friday, March 4, 2022 at 12:00 p.m in the [MOSAIC Center](#) and also on Zoom. Co-sponsored with Gray Matter. A monthly discussion series designed to promote critical exploration of provocative topics related to higher education and the RIT campus community. Contact: Chris Hinesley, chhgs@rit.edu.
- **Be a Crafty Problem Solver** March 15, 17, 22, 25 and 29, 2022 from 11:00 am to 12:00 pm. Mind Field Initiative by Hinda Mandell. Develop community, gain tangible skills that are tactical, and work through real-life challenges by building and emphasizing the mind-hand-community connection. [More information](#)
- **Establishing Inclusive Classrooms Workshop** Thursday, March 17, 2022 from 2:00 pm to 4:00 pm, Co-sponsored with the Division of Diversity and Inclusion and RIT Graduate School. This workshop will introduce effective practices and skills needed for creating inclusive classrooms. Register [here](#).
- **Critical Making Workshop** Saturday, March 19, 2022 from 9:00 am to 5:00 pm, Mind Field Initiative by Alex Lobos. Participants will brainstorm, prototype and propose solutions that will not only be more visually pleasing but possibly improve the function and possibly recycling rates on campus. [More information](#)

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In this issue meet:

- **Heidi Schlegel**, Associate Professor, College of Art and Design. Read about her thoughts on [applied critical thinking](#).

FROM GENE FRAM

- [**“Researchers are too critical – we need to give ourselves \(and others\) a break”**](#) by Hugh Kearns, The Campus, December 8, 2021. A look at how researchers can use critical thinking to their benefit.
- [**“The Future Role of the Chief Innovation Officer”**](#) by Andrew Pek, Entrepreneur Magazine, December 25, 2021. The author discusses how this business title has grown over the past two decades.
- [**“Six Tips to Improve Critical Thinking”**](#) by Ayesha Areej, Academia Magazine, December 28, 2021.
- [**“Big Benefits Of Prioritizing Big Data In Education”**](#) by Gregory Crawford, Forbes, December 30, 2021. The president of Miami University of Ohio explains how data science gives graduates a career edge.

