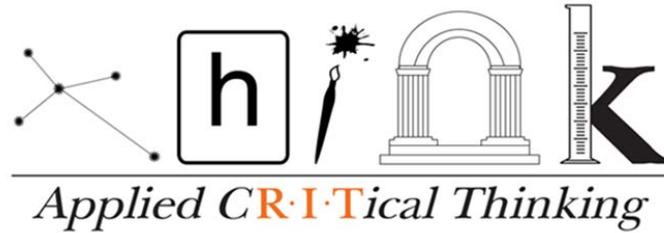


Dr. Adrienne Decker, Associate Professor of Interactive Games & Media and a member of MAGIC becomes the next Fram Faculty fellow.



from Dr. Jennifer Schneider, Eugene H. Fram Chair of Applied Critical Thinking:

I am pleased to announce that Dr. Adrienne Decker, Associate Professor, will become the Fram Faculty Fellow, beginning with the next academic year. Dr. Decker will lead the identification and sharing of best critical thinking pedagogical practices, and facilitate scholarship that informs instruction and student success across the disciplines. She will also contribute to the development of our assessment tools, processes, and data for continuous improvement. Her expertise will bring a focus to our ACT pedagogical practices and further integrate applied critical thinking across RIT.

Adrienne Decker is an Associate Professor in the School of Interactive Games and Media and a member of the Center for Media, Arts, Games, Interaction and Creativity (MAGIC). She has been studying computing education and teaching for over 15 years, primarily focused on the ways media can be used to engage a broader range of students more actively and productively with computing concepts. She is interested in issues of assessment, particularly in the introductory programming courses and has been actively involved with the Advanced Placement Computer Science A course since 2011, first serving as a reader, and since 2015, as part of the development committee for the CSA exam. She is currently working on a 5-year NSF IUSE grant (Nos. 1625335 and 1625005) to better understand the long-term effectiveness of pre-college computing activities. Active in the computing education community, she has served on the conference committee for the ACM Special Interest Group on Computer Science Education conference in many roles, including program co-chair in 2014 and symposium co-chair in 2015.

The Fram faculty fellow appointment is a part time, rolling-year opportunity that engages a faculty in the university-wide applied critical thinking initiative. This appointment follows a call and application process that produced excellent candidates. The position reports to the Eugene H. Fram chair, Dr. Jennifer Schneider. The Fram chair was founded in 2011 as a result of a generous donation from an alumni to honor Saunders College of Business professor emeritus Dr. Eugene Fram.

Please join me in congratulating Dr. Adrienne Decker on her appointment.