

Greetings TC² partner representatives,

The Critical Thinking Consortium offers an exciting array of [online learning opportunities](#) to support teachers in making meaningful educational change.



As part of our spectrum of online offerings, TC² is pleased to announce that **registration for our [2012 Spotlight sessions](#) opened on January 3 and sessions begin January 10.** We have expanded our offerings of online professional learning sessions to provide greater opportunity for access, increased ongoing support for professional learning programs, and a wider range of topics.

Download the full [calendar](#) of **2012 Spotlight sessions**. Please note that sessions are listed in Pacific time. View 2012 Spotlight session descriptions [here](#).

What are Spotlight sessions designed to accomplish?

The Spotlight sessions will:

- assist teachers in developing a deeper understanding of critical thinking and its application in their classrooms
- offer practical ideas and examples
- provide opportunities for teachers to participate in dialogue dealing with contexts and strategies for critical thinking
- support teachers in sustained professional growth in between face-to-face workshops

“I really appreciated how [the presenter] led the discussion by posing questions that got me thinking about the key ideas that he was communicating. I really learned by listening to the comments of others.”
-- Participant, online session

What are Spotlight sessions?

- one-hour online interactive sessions using Blackboard Collaborate (Elluminate)
- over 25 different topics, each offered twice between January and June
- sessions organized around themes in a convenient colour-coded calendar
- introductory and advanced levels for selected topics
- selected recorded sessions are available through our online catalogue of archived sessions

How can I register for Spotlight sessions?

- registration will be available January 3 through the online professional learning [calendar](#)