Understanding By Design (UbD) – Backwards Design Process

(Modified from Grant Wiggins and Jay McTighe, 2002 for Self-Evaluation of RMAIS lessons)

UbD TEMPLATE

Stage 1 – Desired Results	
Content: Topic for Lesson	
Tooting your Horn (promoting yourself)	
Understanding (s)/goals	Essential Question(s):
Participants will understand that:	 How will colleagues and other stakeholders know what you do and
Your best advocate can sometimes be yourself. Identifying your	what your accomplishments are?
accomplishments so that you can convey them to others is a critical	
step for being recognized.	

Lesson objectives (outcomes):

Participants will be able to demonstrate:

- KNOWLEDGE:
 - Know what the tools are for self-promotion (e.g. CV, short-story, website, blog site, twitter)
 - o Know how to be a team-player or professional citizen (e.g., volunteering as a meeting session moderator, participating in professional organizations and clubs)
- SKILLS:
 - How to evaluate a curriculum vitae (that promotes their strengths)
 - How to develop and deliver a professional "short story"

Stage 2 – Assessment Evidence		
Performance Task(s):	Other Evidence:	
 Evaluate a curriculum vitae for "Tabitha," a fictional RMAIS undergraduate student 	Class discussion	
 Collaboratively (undergrad and grad) design a story arc 		
Six-word story about research experience/interests		
Stage 3 – Learning Plan		

Learning Activities:

SECTION I: CV Building [20 min]

- Interrupted Case study: PowerPoint displaying images of different aspects of "Tabitha's" professional activities. Pass out "general" CV. [5min]
- Think-pair-share: participants review CV and determine how well it reflects what Tabitha has done. If not, what is missing? [10min]
- Wrap-up Presentation: Why are CV's important? What are the differences between a CV & resume? Does your CV target the appropriate audience? [5min]
- Homework: Work on developing your CV; Meet as a triad to go over and compare CVs [Bonus: helps triad members know more about each other's professional history]

SECTION II: Preparing your "Short Story" [15 min]



- <u>Interrupted Case study</u>: PowerPoint of Tabitha's mentor, Phoebe, at a meeting, after a seminar, meeting a colleague. "Quote" of her short story. Merge into...[3min]
- <u>Framing Presentation</u>: What is a "short-story"? Why is it important? How does it help with self-promotion? Why is it important for your mentor to know your story? Introduce Story Arc. [5min]
- Development: pair mentors-mentees; use story arc (graphic organizer) to start developing your story based on your joint research project [7min]
- <u>Homework</u>: meet as triad to flesh this out (for each of you) [Bonus: helps with communication between triad members and helps with promotion of colleagues]

SECTION III: 6-word Story [10 min]

- Framing Presentation: Part of self-promotion is creativity (webpage design, twitter posts, blogs); End on stretching your creative side!
- <u>Examples</u>: Hemingway ("For sale: baby shoes, never worn."); (http://science.sciencemag.org/content/353/6294/22); (https://www.americanscientist.org/blog/science-culture/science-books-reviewed-in-six-words) [3min]
- <u>Development</u>: Work on developing your 6-word story for [research; background; current goal; professional goal] [3min]
- <u>A Time for Telling:</u> 5+ people share their 6-word stories

Other considerations:

- Seek peer-review
- Who is your audience
- Gender bias in CV evaluation
- Perceptions of self-promotion (e.g. arrogance)

