

### **Testimonial for Dr. Thomas J. Tobin**

Dr. Thomas J. Tobin's multiple workshop offerings at the ACC Universal Design for Learning Symposium were a transformative experience for all attendees. His deep knowledge and engaging presentation style created a space where both teaching and non-teaching staff felt empowered to rethink accessibility and inclusivity in their work as they attended sessions like Reach/Teach, Expert UDL, UDL Across Campus, or UDL Leadership.

Participants described the symposium's sessions as "affirming and helpful," highlighting Dr. Tobin's ability to cover fundamental concepts while also drilling down into practical, applicable strategies. His focus on the role of administrative and support staff as integral to teaching was inspiring and our workshops fostered a collaborative atmosphere among all participants as they brainstormed innovative approaches to implementing Universal Design for Learning (UDL) practices.

The workshops were filled with actionable insights, from simple strategies that anyone can adopt to more complex ideas that challenged seasoned practitioners to deepen their understanding of organizational change. One participant noted the Symposium was "a jam-packed masterclass" that successfully integrated active learning and UDL principles.

Dr. Tobin's commitment to removing barriers for all faculty members and his encouragement of realistic, practical applications made this symposium a success. The intimate setting allowed for meaningful dialogue and mentorship, leaving attendees with renewed energy and a network of allies eager to promote UDL across the college.

Overall, Dr. Tobin's workshop not only advanced our understanding of UDL but also invigorated our collective efforts toward teaching excellence at ACC. We are grateful for his leadership and dedication to making learning accessible for all.

Sincerely,

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