

Fall 2009 Evaluation Café Series

All presentations take place at The Evaluation Center, 4405 Ellsworth Hall, WMU, noon to 1 p.m.

For more information, please visit <http://www.wmich.edu/evalctr/evalcafe/>

September 15

Contemporary Trends & Movements in Evaluation: Evidence-Based, Participatory & Empowerment, & Theory-Driven Evaluation

Chris Coryn—Director, Interdisciplinary Ph.D. in Evaluation Program, WMU

Thursday, September 24 *Note Special Day*

RealWorld Evaluation: Maximizing Utility In Spite of Inadequate Budget, Time, & Data As Well As Conflicting Political Pressures

Jim Rugh—Independent consultant

September 29

Evaluating School Mathematics & Science Textbooks & Classroom Practices Using an Assessment for Learning Framework

Amy Bentz & Jonathan Engelman—Assessment for Learning Scholars, WMU; Steven Ziebarth—Associate Professor, Mathematics, WMU

October 6

(Meta)Evaluation at the International Labour Organization: Current Practice, Potential for Improvement, & Prospects for In-Depth Study

Daniela Schröter—Director of Research, The Evaluation Center, WMU; Anne Cullen—Senior Research Associate, The Evaluation Center, WMU; Kelly Robertson—Project Manager, The Evaluation Center, WMU

Thursday, October 15 *This event has limited seating. Please contact chris.coryn@wmich.edu to find out how to register.

Exploring a Utilization-Focused Evaluation Option: Developmental Evaluation Using Systems Thinking & Complex Nonlinear Dynamics

Michael Quinn Patton—Independent organizational development and evaluation consultant

October 20

Evaluating Evidence-Based Medicine

Cristian Gugiu—Doctoral student, Interdisciplinary Ph.D. in Evaluation Program, WMU

October 27

Evaluation - A Quasi-Profession?

Wolfgang Bewyl—Berne University/Univision Cologne

November 3

Documenting Dependency Relationships Between the Standards to Facilitate Metaevaluation

Carl Westine—Doctoral Associate, Interdisciplinary Ph.D. in Evaluation Program, WMU

November 17

Saudi Human Resources Development Fund, Evaluation Overview

Mohammed Alyami—Doctoral student, Interdisciplinary Ph.D. in Evaluation Program, WMU

November 24

Clients' Perceptions of Buprenorphine Versus Methadone Maintenance Treatments

Stephen Magura—Director, The Evaluation Center, WMU; Awgu Ezechukwu—Doctoral student, Interdisciplinary Ph.D. in Evaluation Program, WMU

December 1

Evaluative Tools for Assessing Quality in Healthcare Organizations

Stephanie Means—Doctoral student, Interdisciplinary Ph.D. in Evaluation Program, WMU