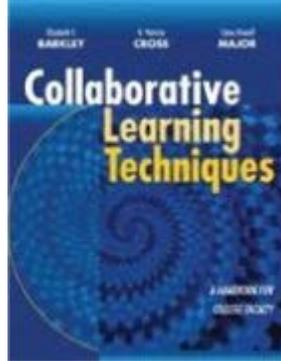


# Collaborative Learning Techniques



**Wednesday, October 11, 2017**  
**12:00 – 12:50 p.m., Faculty/Staff Lounge,**  
**Presenter: Jim Robinson**

In January 2017 I had the opportunity to attend a conference session by Elizabeth Barkley on Collaborative Learning



Techniques. This brown bag will share some of the techniques learned at that event and outlined in the book of the same name.

Groups tend to learn through discussion, clarification of ideas, and evaluation of other's ideas. It helps student with sense-making, especially with new or foreign topics and concepts. While offering value as a classroom activity, there are multiple aspects of framing group work for a successful implementation. Participants will discuss the following topics:

- Collaborative learning Procedures: in group practices, room set-up, goal and output of the group, signal to stop working;
- Forming Groups: group size, selecting members, member roles;
- Structuring the Learning Task: consider multiple group goals and supporting processes, use real world problems;
- Techniques for Discussion: Think, Pair Share, Round Robin, Buzz Groups, Talking Chips, Three-Step Interview, Critical Debate, DeBono's Six Hats, Jigsaw;
- Grading and Evaluating: Individual accountability and collaborative work, reporting out methods.

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