



SUCCESS THROUGH INQUIRY

QEP Quick Minute Newsletter

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The “Success through Inquiry” QEP Launches in Fall 2019!

After years of planning, developing, and piloting, the *Success through Inquiry* QEP officially launches in Fall 2019! In Year 1, selected faculty from the QEP implementation team will begin professional development in Fall 2019, then implement inquiry as pedagogy Spring 2020. [Access this link](#) to see the full 5-year mission timeline.

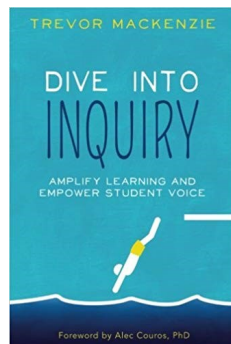
Notable QEP 2018-2018 Accomplishments

The following are notable accomplishments—either directly or indirectly by most members of the QEP team and associated committees as well as Vernon College staff and faculty! As this is just the beginning of our 5-year mission, I look forward to many more exciting developments!

- A completed 100 page QEP Proposal (Fall 2018)
- An interactive [Faculty Development session](#) in preparation for the October 2018 SACSCOC visit. (Fall 2018).
- SACSCOC Recommendation Response (Spring 2019)
- [Amended QEP Proposal](#) (Spring 2019)
- Accreditation Reaffirmation Certification (Summer 2019)
- QEP Executive Summary [Posting](#) (Summer 2019)
- SACSCOC [Summer Institute](#) (Summer 2019)

Harness the power of curiosity to foster students’ love for learning.”

~Trevor Mackenzie



All faculty should have a copy of “Dive into Inquiry” by Trevor Mackenzie. Contact [Donnie Kirk](#) for your free copy today!

Inquire-Discover-Engage: Plan an Inquiry Unit of Your Own!

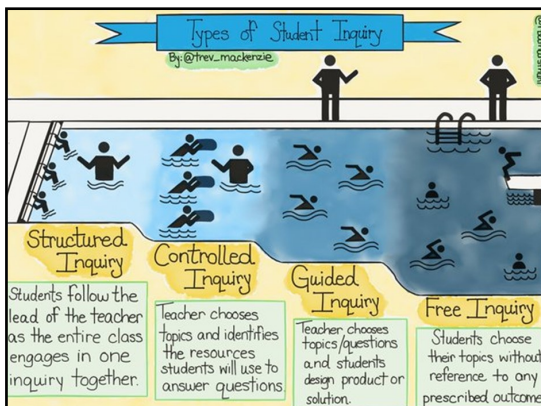
While structured training will occur in a specific sequence through our “*Success through Inquiry*” 5-year mission, start experimenting with inquiry as pedagogy in your courses now! Remember, we are not simply asking questions using a Socratic approach. With inquiry as pedagogy, students create or respond to **essential question** prompts, **investigate and evaluate** designated resources, then **share learning publicly** with a selected performance task (discussion, presentation, demonstration, etc.). Start easy! Start SMALL! Reflect! Try it again! Start with these easy pointers...

Step 1) Start with a course level objective or global learning objective within your course.

Step 2) Begin with a topic or unit you’ve taught before.

Step 3) Consider beginning your inquiry lesson with a structured or controlled method.

See a sample unit opener employing the inquiry method [here](#).



Contact [Donnie Kirk](#) to discuss methods on incorporating inquiry into your practice today!

You are cordially invite to attend QEP Committee Meetings during the Fall 2019 Term! Next session is Friday, September 13 @ 10:00AM in VER204/CCC712.