Educational Developer Leadership Award

The Educational Developers Caucus is delighted to introduce the recipient of the 2018 Educational Developer Leadership Award.

- **Kris Knorr**, Educational Developer at the Paul R. MacPherson Institute for Leadership, Innovation & Excellence in Teaching, McMaster University

Established in 2016, the Educational Developer Leadership Award is sponsored by the Educational Developers Caucus. Together with the Distinguished Educational Developer Career Award, this award recognizes excellence in educational development in Canada. The Educational Developer Leadership Award recognizes individuals for a specific contribution to the field of educational development in Canada.

Our Recipient

**Kris Knorr** is an educational developer at McMaster University with over 10 years of ED experience. We recognize Kris with this Leadership Award for his remarkable contributions to McMaster University and the EDC community, including:

- Leading the development of the *Educator Enhancement Program* at McMaster University. This project, informed by a faculty needs assessment, resulted in a significant re-imagining and restructuring of workshop delivery at the MacPherson Institute. The redesigned three-part seminar structure allows faculty to engage more deeply with teaching and learning approaches and has positively impacted participation, resulting in a 100% increase in session attendance.

- Serving as the EDC Grants Coordinator from 2016 to the present. In this role, Kris supports research and innovation in educational development practice across the country. He recruits reviewers, manages the blind peer-review process, informs applicants of their award status, and collects and compiles reports from successful awardees.

- Chairing the MacPherson Space Committee that, in collaboration with McMaster Facility Services, external architects and contractors, and McMaster University Libraries, resulted in a 1.3-million-dollar renovation of the MacPherson Institute. In the years since the renovation, Kris has consulted with leaders from other teaching and learning centres who seek his insight and advice on space planning and renovations.
Co-Chairing of the Council of Ontario Educational Developers (2014 - 2016). Together with other members of the COED executive, Kris was instrumental in establishing the first COED website and in organizing and hosting the Faculty Engagement in Educational Development (FEED) Summit that brought together senior administrators, Teaching and Learning Centre directors, educational developers, and faculty representatives to discuss strategies for promoting faculty engagement in educational development.