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**IMPORTANCE OF THRESHOLD CONCEPTS FOR DISCIPLINARY
DISCUSSIONS**

Presented by:

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Monday, March 26, 2018– Gertrude Ford Ballroom A, Inn at Ole Miss

Lunch begins at 11:45 am, the Presentation will begin at 12:00 pm.

A complimentary lunch will be provided.

Dr. Barry Maid, Professor and Founding Head of Technical Communication at Arizona State, visits UM to share his research on “threshold concepts.” In the early part of the twenty-first century, British researchers Jan Meyer and Ray Land introduced the idea of threshold concepts. Essentially, threshold concepts are the ways of thinking one must possess in order to take part in disciplinary discussions. In this FDL, Dr. Maid will

- define threshold concepts
- provide examples of discipline-based threshold concepts
- discuss ways that faculty can identify threshold concepts within their disciplines
- advise faculty about implementing threshold concepts into their teaching

Please [RSVP](#) Online by **5:00 PM, Wednesday, March 21, 2018**

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Speaker’s Bio:



Barry Maid is Professor and Founding Head of Technical Communication at Arizona State University. He has written extensively about technology, independent writing programs, and program administration. His recent research focuses on threshold concepts and their assessment.