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Wednesday – Saturday  
May 29-June 1, 2024



## Keynote Panel: Friday, May 31, 2024

### *PLTL IN THE DISCIPLINES*

The panelists will explore the application of Peer-Led Team Learning (PLTL) within their respective disciplines, detailing adaptations made to accommodate the unique requirements of their course and programs. The initial 45 minutes will feature a structured Q&A session, addressing pre-determined questions. For the remaining 30 minutes, panelists will engage in individual or small group discussions during a tabling segment of the event. This informal portion will allow interested participants to interact directly with panelists, delving deeper into the specifics of implementing the PLTL model in their courses and disciplines.



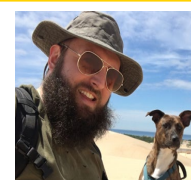
**JULIE BENTLEY, PH.D.** is a Professor at The Institute of Optics, University of Rochester and has been teaching undergraduate and graduate level courses in geometrical optics, optical design, and product design for more than 25 years. She is also currently the president of an optical design consulting business, Bentley Optical Design, designing lens systems for a wide variety of applications, including medical devices, visible and infrared military optics, AR/VR systems, and other consumer optics. She has used PLTL in an Optics course for more than a decade. She received her B.S., M.S., and PhD in Optics from The Institute of Optics.

**BENJAMIN HAFENSTEINER, PH.D.** is an Associate Professor of Instruction in the Chemistry Department at the University of Rochester where he regularly teaches Organic Chemistry and General Chemistry using the PLTL Workshop model. He received his Ph.D. from the Scripps Research Institute in 2008. His research interests include Chemical Education, total synthesis of natural products, organic synthesis and cascade reactions. Dr. Hafensteiner attended the University of Rochester as an undergraduate and was himself a PLTL Workshop leader for Organic Chemistry under the tutelage of Prof. Jack Kampmeier.



**RAVI MANTENA, PH.D.** is a Clinical Professor at the Simon Business School at the University of Rochester where he serves as the Faculty Director for the MBA programs. In this role, he oversees Simon's Full-time, Professional, and Executive MBA programs. He teaches various analytics and digital strategy courses in these programs. His research interests are in the economics of digital and information-rich products. Professor Mantena has been using the PLTL Workshop model in his Business Modeling course with full-time MBAs since 2009.

**ADAM PURTEE, PH.D.** earned his doctorate in Computer Science at the University of Rochester in 2018. He is currently an Associate Professor of Instruction and teaches Introduction to Computer Science, Computer Networks, Machine Learning and AI. Adam has been using the PLTL Workshop model in his first year Introduction to Computer Science course for majors since starting at the University of Rochester in the fall of 2018.



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