OUR OBJECTIVES

- Define and understand SOTL
- Discuss how SOTL can improve medical education
- Learn who does this kind of research
- Learn what topics are researched
- Consider resources for improving teaching
- Consider conducting research to improve your teaching
- Resources for conducting research

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Journals

- International Journal for the Scholarship of Teaching and Learning (jJSOTL)
- Journal of the Scholarship of Teaching and Learning (JoSoTL)
- The List: A list of journals in teaching and learning by the Association of College and Research Libraries:
  - http://www.ala.org/acrl/aboutacrl/directoryofleadership/sections/is/iswebsite/projpubs/journalsteachinglearning

Organizations

- The International Society for the Scholarship of Teaching and Learning (ISSOTL)
- Lots of discipline specific organizations
Participate in Teaching Professional Development

- Conferences
  - In your field
  - People you respect
  - A chance to reflect
- Webinars
  - There are many options now available
- Workshops
  - UAB Center for Teaching and Learning Medical Educators Series
  - [http://www.uab.edu/CTL](http://www.uab.edu/CTL)
- Additional Education
  - Certificate Programs
  - Masters Degree in Medical Education
IAMSE Webinar Series  http://www.iamse.org

- Sept 8 – “Use of preclinical High Fidelity Medical Simulations (HFMS) to promote the integration of basic and clinical sciences in undergraduate medical education” – Laurel Gorman
- Sept 15 – “Self-directed learning in your curriculum - getting from theory to practice” – Sandrijn Vanschaik, Douglas Larsen, William Cutrer
- Sept 22 – “Entrustment decision making in EPA-based curricula” – Olle ten Cate
- Sept 29 – “Standardized Patient Educators in Assessment” – Gayle Gliva, Heidi Lane, Carrie Bohnert
IRAP Portal
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Questions?