

## **A conversation about scholarship**

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During each week of lecturing a post-graduate course in strategic management, Damian wrote a journal entry reflecting on that week's experience, and posted it to Kogi. Kogi, an academic development researcher, acted as critical friend/colleague for the semester. In this workshop we present an edited version of that dialogue interspersed with readings from various sources. The readings will be read by participants attending the workshop.

This will create a 12-part conversation focusing on what it means to be an academic, an intellectual, a teacher and researcher. We will explore what it means to be an excited, harassed, elated, frustrated, and exhausted human being in our personal and professional lives. The structured conversation will last for about two thirds of the time. The conversation will then evolve and flow in whatever directions the group chooses.