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Canvas Basics

Students are buzzing about Canvas at UTA and faculty are encouraged to engage in building a course that includes, at a minimum, the course syllabus, assignments and grades. More than 50 [training sessions](#) are being offered through CDE. Faculty can also enroll in a self-paced online course through enrollment by their [Canvas College/School Champion](#). Faculty can post their syllabus on Canvas, and a process for migrating it to Digital Measures is currently being tested. Please contact canvasteam@uta.edu with your questions, or visit us at canvas.uta.edu.



Grants for Faculty-Led Study Abroad

Faculty interested in establishing new study abroad opportunities and increasing the internationalization of the campus community, are invited to apply. The grant application deadline is **May 1, 2019**. Additional information regarding eligibility, and preference factors is available [HERE](#) as well as on the UTA Study Abroad website [HERE](#).

Celebrate Research and Teaching Awards Winners

Faculty are invited to attend the Spring Faculty & Associates meeting on **Tuesday, April 23rd at 4 pm** in the Rio Grande Ballroom of the E.H. Hereford University Center. The event celebrates teaching and research award winners, Doctoral Student Mentoring award winners, as well as new inductees into the Academy of Distinguished Teachers. Faculty received FDLs and REPs will also be recognized. After brief remarks from the president and provost, a wine and hor'douvres reception will follow to celebrate our newest award winners.

New SFS Tool: SmartEvals

A streamlined and more sophisticated Student Feedback System, [SmartEvals](#), is now available to all faculty. Please review these tips to improve response rates:

- Remind students that the [evaluation period](#) has begun and they'll receive daily emails which will allow them to complete the surveys. The survey period is 2 weeks before the end of the course (16 week) and one week for dynamic dated courses.
- Faculty can log into [MyEvalCenter](#) and click the "QR codes" link for their class(es). Print the page that is then displayed and distribute it to students. Using their mobile devices, students can scan the code and complete the evaluation right in class!
- Give students a few specific examples of how you used feedback from past course evaluations. For example: "Last semester the evaluations said I should make better use of the course website, and that is why this year I have been posting notes online."
- Remind students that their responses are completely anonymous, and that instructors will only see results after grades are released.

For questions, please contact Dr. Andrew Pagel, UTA Director of Student Evaluations and Surveys Andrew.pagel@uta.edu or (817) 272-3418.



SYSTEM STATUS

All systems are performing as required.

....Did You Know?

....a new portal for all UTA apps is now available? myapps.uta.edu provides easy access to a growing list of free apps available to the campus community.

Upcoming Events

View [Upcoming events](#) on Faculty Affairs website.

Faculty Input Needed

OIT is interested in learning about faculty use of technology including Box, Teams, Sharepoint and other apps currently available. If interested in sharing ideas, please contact Lee Pierce at lee.pierce@uta.edu

Workshop Series

Human Resources and Faculty Affairs are partnering to offer a topical series from 12-1:30 pm on:

April 24: Phased Retirement (*this session is for faculty only*). Please [RSVP](#) here.

Speed Teaching

The [IDEAS Faculty Fellows](#) invite faculty and graduate students to learn high impact teaching strategies through an active speed-dating format. The sessions will be at the Central Library Parlor:

Make it Stick: Strategies for Helping Students Process Information: **April 29, 12:00 - 1:30 pm**

More information [here](#).

Spring Colloquium on Team Building

Friday, April 19

1:00 – 4:00 pm.

University Center's Red River Join CRTLE and Collaborate UTA for a talk on [collaboration in the 21st century](#). Lunch will be served. Please [RSVP](#)

Spring and Fall 2019 Final Exam Schedule Available

The Registrar has posted the Fall final exam schedule [here](#).

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