

## Faculty Affairs News 116 - JAN 31, 2019

### Community Partner Breakfast

The annual Partner Breakfast brings together UT Arlington faculty, staff, and Administrators with numerous regional nonprofits to explore collaboration for course service learning projects. A panel of faculty, students, and community partners will share service learning success stories. For more information or to RSVP, [CLICK HERE](#).

**Community Partner Breakfast on Friday, February 8th**  
**Time: 8:00 – 10:00 a.m.**  
**Location: Bluebonnet Ballroom.**



### Center for Research, Teaching and Learning Excellence (CRTLE) Opening

The CRTLE had a grand opening to introduce a series of programs and its new director, Dr. Ann Cavallo. Dr. Cavallo is working on grantwriting, supporting faculty teaching and is seeking partnerships to support GTAs in their teaching. Faculty are invited to a webinar on Daily Writing for Academics in Engineering on February 6th from 1 – 2:30 in LINK Lab. Contact Dr. Cavallo at [cavallo@uta.edu](mailto:cavallo@uta.edu).

### Engaging in Your Students' Success

*Inspire for Faculty (IFF)*, is a new tool that helps faculty to:

- Identify students who are struggling in the course.
- Create a greater rapport with your students.
- Receive up-to-date student engagement information.

All faculty have access to the Inspire for Faculty Training under Organizations in your Blackboard account. To get started: 1. Take the IFF training course in Blackboard entitled, [Inspire for Faculty Training Org](#). 2. Place an activity in Blackboard that your students need to address. 3. Use IFF's email feature to send an encouraging message to your students.

Reach out to the team at [civitas@uta.edu](mailto:civitas@uta.edu), a link exclusively for faculty questions, not to be shared with students.

### Getting Your Course Ready for Canvas

All UTA courses in Blackboard (BB) will be taught in Canvas by Fall 2019. Faculty teaching summer courses in Blackboard are now receiving training as they prepare their courses for migration.

[Timelines](#) for all faculty are available at [canvas.uta.edu](http://canvas.uta.edu), as well as the [migration process](#). Faculty are encouraged to contact their college [Canvas Champions](#) to enroll in a short Canvas training course. Course migration [tutorials](#) are now available, as well as training sessions. Please go to [canvas.uta.edu](http://canvas.uta.edu) for more information, or email us at [canvasteam@uta.edu](mailto:canvasteam@uta.edu).

### ...Did You Know?

...UTA faculty can obtain a report that highlights the impact of their research? Andy Herzog, Director of Faculty Services and Online Engagement at UTA's Library works with faculty to develop a summary of citations, social media activity and other impact of their research for tenure and promotion dossiers, or for grant documentation. Contact Andy Herzog at [amherzog@uta.edu](mailto:amherzog@uta.edu).

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### Upcoming Events

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

### Writing Coffee Hour

Join UTA faculty every Tuesday from 1-4 pm at [Urban Alchemy](#) Coffee House for an hour of writing. Questions, please contact **Dr. Peggy Seminson** at [peggys@exchange.uta.edu](mailto:peggys@exchange.uta.edu)

### Peer Observation of Teaching

**February 12, 2:30- 4:00**

**Nedderman 249**

Faculty charged with observing peers that may go up for promotion and/or tenure are invited to a training to ensure they are in compliance with UT System policies. [RSVP](#)

### Workshop Series

HR and Faculty Affairs are partnering to offer a series of discussions- all are from 12-1:30 pm. Mark you calendars.

**February 20:** Work/Life Balance and Tenure

**March 27:** FMLA Questions (Family Medical Leave Act)

**April 24:** Phased Retirement

Please [RSVP](#) here

### DM Switch on August 1

As of August 1, 2019, all faculty profile data will no longer be entered in Mentis. Although the public facing page will retain the Mentis "look," all faculty data will be entered through Digital Measures, including syllabi. Faculty are also reminded that in Fall 2019 all tenured faculty will submit annual reviews, and post tenure reviews through Digital Measures. For training or questions please contact [dmhelp@uta.edu](mailto:dmhelp@uta.edu)

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